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Thanksgiving - Shining Day

by Rev. Leonard Cowan, St. David's Episcopal Church

*"Come, ye thankful people, come,
Raise the song of harvest-home."*

Thanksgiving, in many households, has come to mean three things:

- 1) A big family feast, focused on a huge turkey.
- 2) A football game in the afternoon.
- 3) The beginning of Christmas shopping.

This doesn't seem to have much in common with the image of thankful farm-people gathering in a harvest and raising a song of thanksgiving to God, does it?

And yet, there are some connections:

1) The big Thanksgiving Feast is, in fact, a continuation of the Old Testament custom of offering back to the Creator the best of the produce which He enables us to bring forth, and then joyfully sitting down and feasting upon this offering. And many families today precede their Thanksgiving meal with a round-the-table listing of the special blessing for which each one is thankful, such as,

2) Thankfulness for the strength to play football, or

3) Thankfulness for the Lord's provision of talents and skill to make the

money for Christmas gifts, and the family and friends who will receive our gifts.

As you go through this Thanksgiving, be looking for connections like these. Above all, enjoy this fine Holiday, but do so in connection with the One Who is worthy of our eternal thanks and praise, and Who looks for thankfulness from us, not only in our lips, but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to His service, and by walking before Him in holiness and righteousness all our days.

"Come, ye thankful people. Come."



THE JONES FAMILY of Feeding Hills has a scene of the First Thanksgiving over 350 years ago nestled on their front lawn. Families all over America will be celebrating Thanksgiving Day on Thursday. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

MCAD Probes Complaint Vs. Town

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

"He can take away the letter, but he can't take away the threat. It's there in the minds of the people," says Agawam Attorney Anthony C. Bonavita, who has filed charges with the Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination on behalf of town Health Agent Ronald Young. Bonavita has linked the discrimination charge to a letter from the Mayor threatening town employees with "disciplinary action" for speaking with members of the press without prior clearance from his office.

Young has charged that Mayor Christopher Johnson's plan to fire him (Young) as part of a town reorganization plan is linked directly to his age. Young is 51.

The complaint indicates that Police Chief Stanley Chmielewski was present at a staff meeting when the mayor allegedly made comments about firing older department heads.

As the story goes, on October 5th Johnson penned a letter to all department heads threatening disciplinary action to anyone speaking with the *Springfield Union-News* "without first contacting the Mayor's Office. The letter also states that 'any department head that shows this communication to the press or to any town councilor will be severely disciplined.'" The letter was withdrawn three hours after it was issued.

The full contents of the letter reads as follows: "Effective immediately, there will be no more staff meetings held."

"Further, all department heads are advised that the Mayor's Office is solely responsible for releasing information to the press. Anyone who speaks with the press without prior approval from this office will be severely disciplined."

"Effective immediately, the *Springfield Newspapers* is to be treated as a citizen when seeking the information. Any such request for public information is to be placed in writing and is to be forwarded to the Mayor's Office immediately for processing."

"As soon as a time clock has been purchased, same will be installed in City Hall to be utilized by all employees, including department heads. The

Superintendent of Public Works is requested to obtain cost information immediately and advise my office.

"Any department head that shows this communication to the press or to any City Councilor will be severely disciplined. Christopher C. Johnson, Mayor."

Johnson, who had claimed the letter was "unrelated" to Young, now declines to comment further on the issue.

"Mr. Young and Mr. Bonavita made the charges. Let them prove it," Johnson said Sunday night. "It's easy to make accusations. But it's tough to prove them."

At the time the letter was issued, Johnson had expressed his dissatisfaction with the lack of cooperation between his office and the town council and department heads, and later told those departmental heads they could talk to the press but should also run matters by him.

"I think there are definite political motivations here," Bonavita explains. Bonavita lost the Mayoral Primary to Johnson last March.

But is this action a politically motivated move? "I refute that," Bonavita says.

"I am simply representing my client to the fullest extent of the law."

Bonavita believes the investigation may run into difficulties as a result of the October 5th letter, stating that although the letter was withdrawn, the intent is still imbedded in the minds of the staff involved.

Gilbert May of the MCAD has already questioned members of the press and is continuing his investigation.

"It will take as long as it takes," Bonavita says, adding that there is no timetable for such an investigation.

Young is one of several town department heads whose jobs would have been eliminated under the Mayor's townwide reorganization plan.

Also scheduled to lose his job in the original reorganization plan was long-time Park Department/Building Maintenance Director Jack Kunasek.

Great Smoke-Out Spurs Health Board Member To Seek Smoking Ban

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

Last Thursday was the Great American Smoke-Out, a highly publicized day when smokers are urged to quit and a media blitz gives those would-be quitters a real boost.

The Annual Day is sponsored by the American Cancer Society, with the local chapters of the Cancer Society participating and urging area residents to "not light-up for the day."

Board of Health member Dr. Steve Jacaparo is taking that smoke-out one step further with a call to ban smoking in all public places in Agawam. That means Town Hall, all municipal buildings and schools, restaurants, and the Agawam Public Library.

In fact, the Clean Air Act of 1988 already prohibits smoking in public buildings, but it's a law without bite; enforcement is ambiguous and at the discretion of increasingly overburdened health agents and building inspectors.

The law also allows for segregated smoking areas (i.e. smoking or no-smoking sections) which are a moot point when the smoke from one area drifts directly into the other.

"To allow smoking in any area that is not separately ventilated defeats the purpose of the law," Jacaparo said.

Health Director Ronald Young questioned the Board of Health's authority in making such a ruling and the issue was tabled pending a legal ruling on the board's "jurisdiction and capability."

In fact, the Clean Air Act allows smoking only in separate, designated areas of public buildings, and also allows sole occupants of public office to smoke in the confines of their own turf, so to speak. If a department head or staff member shares an office with a non-smoker, smoking is prohibited by law.

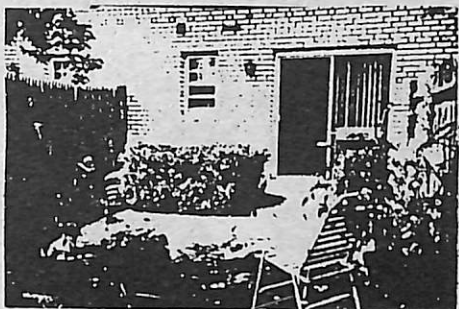
Involuntary smoking, that is the breathing of the unfiltered smoke of other people's cigarettes, is responsible for "a substantial number of cases of lung cancer," according to Jacaparo.

Jacaparo has a dental practice on Main Street, Agawam, and said he will continue to be bullish against smoking. He hopes the town, like some airlines already have, will completely ban and enforce no smoking in the above-mentioned areas.

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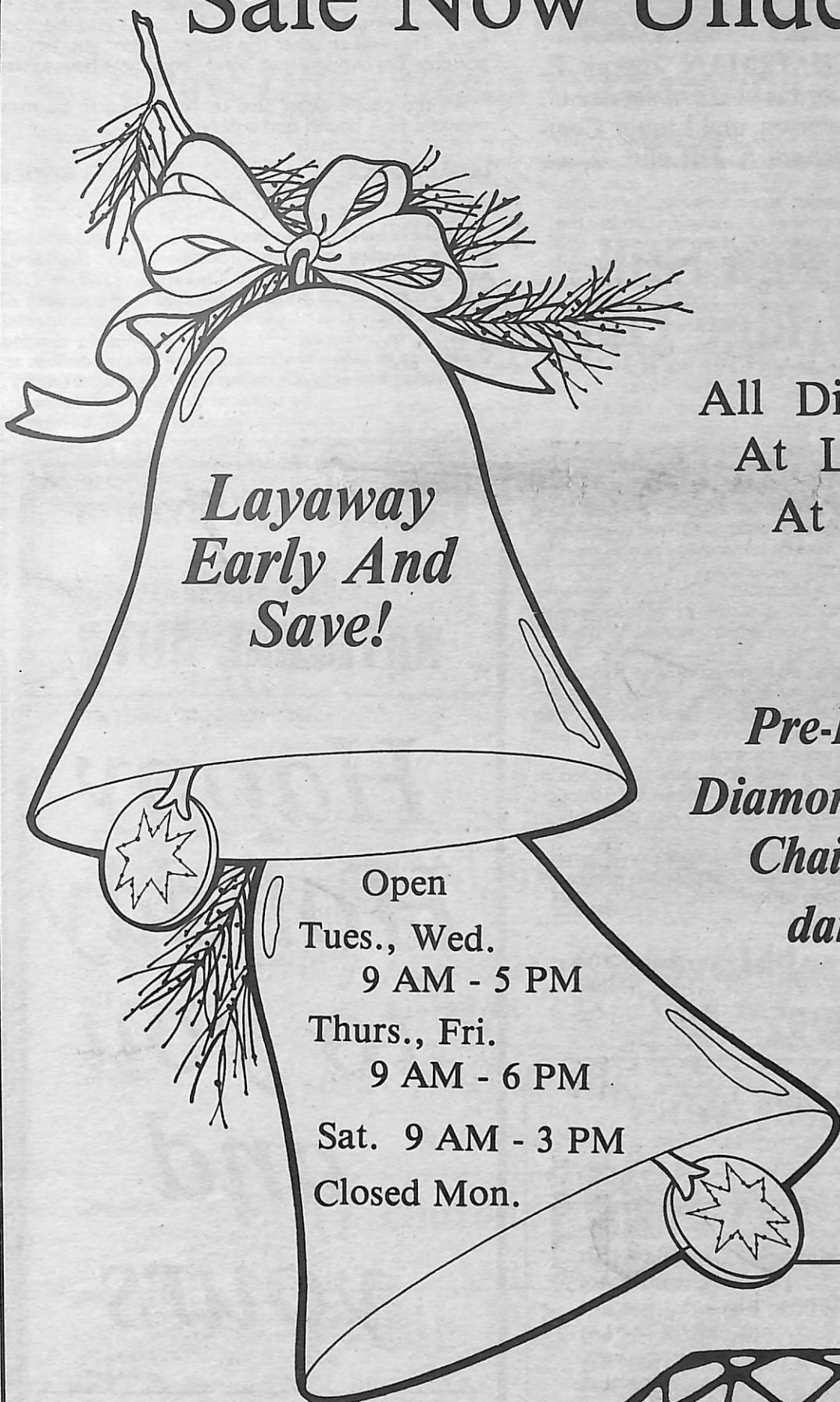
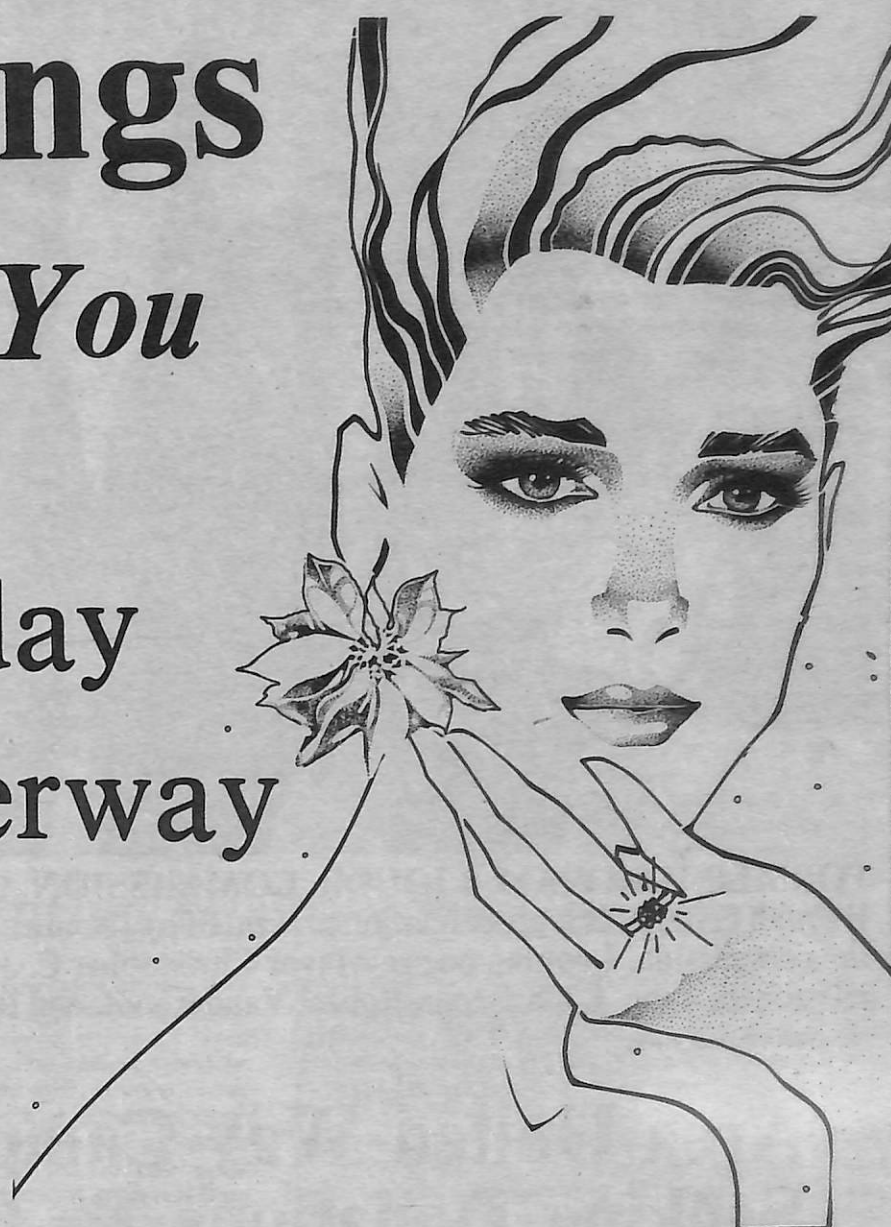
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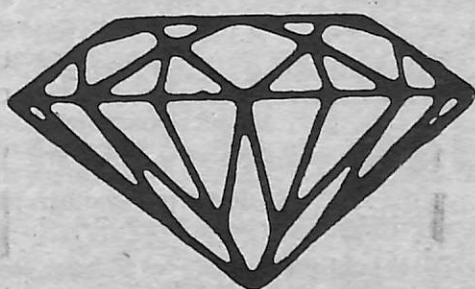
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FORMER AGAWAM LIQUOR COMMISSION CHAIRMAN Joseph P. Dahdah (left) holds a proclamation presented by the town for his years of service on the commission. Looking on are Mayor Christopher C. Johnson, and Liquor Commissioners John J. Chriscola, Robert Vanderhoof, and Richard A. DiLullo. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Area United Way Campaign Still Seeking Donations To Bridge Gap

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

The United Way campaign is in trouble. As this year's solicitations draw to a close, only between 50-60 percent of that agency's goal had been reached.

United Way, which serves as an umbrella agency to innumerable social service programs including services for the homeless, for battered women and children, and for many youth organizations, will be faced with some tough decisions when it comes time to break down this year's donations and spread around the money.

Also included on the United Way's list of agencies receiving funds is the Agawam Counseling Center on Southwick Street, Feeding Hills.

The problem is compounded by the severe cutbacks in state funding of many human service programs and cuts in state local aid, which have triggered layoffs and actually accelerated demands for services.

"When the economy goes down, the need for services for our help, increases," says one United Way spokesperson.

"When the state cuts someone's funding, they look to United Way. But we will have trouble being there this year."

In fact, services to battered women will be one of the

harder hit areas.

It is entirely possible that the New Beginnings Shelter in Westfield (which also serves Agawam and Southwick) will be reduced from eight to six beds, at a time when it had hoped to expand to twelve beds.

New Beginnings currently turns away two women for every one they can actually service.

"And that's just one example," *The AAN* was told.

The current economic climate in Massachusetts "has eroded the base" from which many UW pledges were received.

Corporate giving has plummeted due to reductions in production, layoffs, and wage freezes. Massive layoffs of personnel in municipal jobs (such as Springfield with its 800-plus layoffs) eroded what until now had been a high contributor base.

The campaign, which was originally scheduled to end early in November, was extended through November 20th but final tallies were not available at presstime.

The reductions are expected to impact on a number of programs, including food services, youth programs, the Salvation Army, and others.

Cook Safely And Give Thanks Nov. 23rd

Home fires are devastating tragedies that claim lives and destroy homes. It is always sad to hear of such a fire, but during the holidays it seems much worse.

Thanksgiving is a time for sharing love and friendship and to be thankful for what we have. The Agawam Fire Department reminds us that fire can strike even at such a joyful time.

At any time of year, kitchen fires are the most likely kind to start. This holiday is one that revolves around the kitchen as Thanksgiving feasts are prepared, so extra caution is in order. Start by making sure ovens and stovetop burners are clean; if not, clean them thoroughly and safely.

Don't cook overnight; don't leave your meal cooking on the stove while you go out to the neighbors, take a nap before your guests arrive, or pick the kids up from the football game.

Keep folks out of the kitchen as much as possible, especially children. A crowded kitchen is more likely to have an accident. Use only one or two appliances at each electric outlet. More can cause the circuit to overheat and start a fire.

Keep pot handles turned inward, away from the front of the stove, and keep appliance cords up on counters. Don't wear loose sleeves that can hang over the stove and accidentally catch fire.

If a grease fire erupts, quickly and carefully cover the pan with a lid or a larger pan—**never** use water. If it's in the oven, turn the controls to "off" and close the door tight. This will smother the flames. Better yet, have a portable fire extinguisher handy and know how to use it.

A little caution can give us something to be truly thankful for—health and safety.

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TOWN OF AGAWAM BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will give a hearing at Administration Annex Building, Agawam, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1989 at 7:30 P.M. o'clock, to all parties interested in the appeal of MR. STEPHEN J. MARCENO who is seeking a Special Permit in accordance with Section 20-7 of the Zoning Ordinance to allow the construction of an addition to an existing building identified as 12 MAPLE STREET.

By order of the Board of Appeals,
Anthony Grimaldi, Acting Chairman

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Mrs. Bitzas Announces Information For Veterans

Agawam Veterans Agent Ruth Bitzas has announced the following information regarding Statutory Exemptions to the veterans and dependents of veterans living in our community.

It is advisable that anyone who feels they may be eligible apply as soon as possible. Applications must be filed with the Board of Assessors on or before December 15th, 1989.

If any veteran should need assistance verifying his or her percentage of service connected disability for this purpose, please contact Ruth Bitzas, Veteran Service Department, Town Hall, 786-0400, extension 236.

Application For Statutory Exemption MUST BE FILED WITH THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 15TH, 1989.

To qualify for exemption:

1. Veterans must have been in the service and injury or death must have occurred within the dates below:
Spanish War: February 15th, 1898 to July 4th, 1902;
World War I: April 6th, 1917 to November 11th, 1918;
World War II: September 16th, 1940 to December 31st, 1946;
Korean War: June 25th, 1950 to January 31st, 1955;
Vietnam War: February 1st, 1965 to May 7th, 1975.

2. Veterans must have been domiciled in Massachusetts either six months prior to entry in service or five consecutive years before filing this application and must be domiciled in the property on July 1st, in the year to which the tax relates.

Clause 22—\$2,000 of valuation or \$175 of actual

taxes due whichever is greater.

(A) Veterans with certificate from Veterans Administration showing at least 10 percent disability from any branch of the armed forces.

(B) Veterans of Spanish War, Philippine and Chinese expeditions showing discharge "other than dishonorable."

(C) Veterans having the Purple Heart.

(D) Spouses of soldiers or sailors entitled to exemption under this clause and surviving spouses of soldiers and sailors described in this clause and clauses 22A, 22B, 22C, and 22E who are eligible at the time of their death or who lost lives as a result of service, so long as they remain unmarried.

(E) Fathers and mothers of soldiers or sailors who lost their lives in service. This includes natural parents, adopting parents or those who stood in loco parentis, (the burden is on applicant to show by two affidavits of two disinterested persons, not relatives, that they stood in loco parentis to the service person for at least one year prior to induction into service.)

(F) Surviving spouses of World War I veterans maximum equity \$20,000.

Clause 22A—\$4,000 of valuation or \$350 of actual taxes due whichever is greater.

(A) Veterans who have lost or have suffered permanent loss of use of one foot at or above the ankle or lost or have suffered permanent loss of use of one hand at or above the wrist or have lost sight in one eye.

(B) Medal of Honor

(C) The Distinguished Service Cross

(D) Air Force Cross

(E) Navy Cross

Clause 22B—\$8,000 of valuation or \$700 of actual taxes due whichever is greater.

(A) Veterans who have lost or have suffered permanent loss of use of both feet at or above the ankle, or lost or have suffered permanent loss of use of both hands at or above the wrist, or one hand and one foot, or lost the sight of both eyes.

Clause 22C—\$10,00 of valuation or \$875 of actual taxes due whichever is greater.

(A) Veterans entitled to specially adapted housing.
Clause 22D—\$2,000 of valuation or \$175 of actual taxes due whichever is greater.

(A) Surviving spouses of soldiers or sailors who lost their lives in combat at the Islands of Quemoy and Matsu.

*Application for Clause 22D must be filed on or before October 1st, each year.

Clause 22E—Veterans with yearly certificate from Veterans Administration indicating 100 percent disability and incapable of working, \$6,000 of valuation or \$525 of actual taxes due whichever is greater (war service connected).

Paraplegics—Total Exemption.

(A) Paraplegics (paralysis of lower half of body on both sides). Surviving spouses of paraplegics entitled to total exemption. See Section 8A of Chapter 58.

Post Office Needs Cooperation During Hectic Xmas Season

The Christmas season is approaching faster than what many of us realize. It is this time of the year that our customers send packages with Christmas gifts to their families and friends all over the world. Whether you send your packages Parcel Post or Priority Mail, we urge you to properly prepare and address your packages.

You must make sure that you select the proper container for your package. Fiberboard containers are generally strong enough to ship material of average weight and size. These are the common boxes which are readily available in the home, supermarket, and hardware store.

The selection of a container usually depends on the physical characteristics of the item or items to be mailed. Is the object heavy or light, large or small, durable or fragile, solid or liquid, round, square or odd shape?

The containers should be large enough to hold the contents plus adequate cushioning to prevent damage.

Be sure to always cushion the contents of your package. Cushioning distributes and absorbs shocks and vibrations while preventing contents from shifting. When several items are packaged in a container, they should be separated from each other and protected from outside forces. Even single items packed alone should be cushioned for safety. Heavy items should be securely braced. Many types of suitable cushioning materials are available at various sources, including polystyrene, shredded or rolled newspaper, "bubble" plastic, and fiberboard inserts.

Package wrapping is not always necessary. It is preferred that wrapping paper be omitted if the box itself is an adequate shipping container. However, wrapping paper equivalent to the strength of the

average large grocery bag may be used if required. Pressure-sensitive or filament-reinforced tape should be used for the closure and reinforcement of parcels whenever possible. We ask you not to use twine or cord in wrapping your parcel. They tend to catch and bind in mail processing equipment.

Correct package addressing and marking is extremely important. Your parcel should be clearly marked with the address, including ZIP Codes of both sender and receiver. The writing should be indelible ink or typed on a label and be easily readable at 30 inches, or arm's length. It is also a good idea to place a list of the contents plus the name and address of both sender and recipient inside the package. This will help in the delivery of the parcel in the event that the outside address becomes unreadable.

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Obituary



Richard Borgatti, Former School Leader

Richard F. Borgatti

Richard F. Borgatti, 61, of 179 Franklin Street, Feeding Hills, a 35-year paper hanger and a former 10 year member of the School Committee died on Wednesday, November 15th, in Baystate Medical Center, Springfield.

He had also been a champion candlepin bowler. He served on the School Committee from 1971-1981 and was chairman in 1979.

He was a lifelong resident of Feeding Hills and served in the Navy in World War II. He was a communicant of Sacred Heart Church and a member of the Italian Sporting Club of Agawam. He was also a member of the Italian American Veterans of Foreign Wars Post.

He leaves his wife, the former Patricia W. Hill; two sons, David A. of Agawam and Douglas R. of South Hadley; two daughters, Susan P. Meunier and Cindy L. Beaudry of Feeding Hills; two sisters, Dolores Reed and Barbara Rovelli of Feeding Hills, and five grandchildren.

The funeral was held at Curran-Jones Agawam Funeral Home and in the church. Burial was in Springfield Street Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Candlelighters, P.O. Box 863, West Springfield, MA, 01090.

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By order of the Board of Appeals,
Ronald Hebert, Acting Chairman

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LEGAL NOTICE

Still Time For International Mail

It's not too late to mail holiday greetings and gifts to faraway countries if you use air mail service. Parcels sent to military personnel in the Far East and Southeast Asia can still be shipped via Parcel Airlift Mail (PAL) and Space Available Mail (SAM)—depending on the destination.

We recommend that you check with your local Post Office or find the destination and deadline on the chart below.

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You pay the regular parcel post rate to the U.S. gateway, plus a small fee for air service. The air service fee is 30 cents for parcels weighing two pounds or less, 60 cents for two to three pounds, 90 cents for three to four pounds, and \$1.20 for four to 30 pounds.

Parcels up to 15 pounds and 60 inches in combined length and girth can be sent by SAM from military addresses overseas to the U.S., except the size limitations are up to 70 pounds and 100 inches in combined

length and girth.

Express Mail Military Service is an option available to more than 200 APO and FPO facilities.

For mailing to non-military addresses, the Postal Service's quickest method of shipping items abroad, Express Mail International Service, is available to more than 100 countries.

To ensure the timely arrival at overseas destinations for Christmas delivery, post all mail in the continental United States on or before the following dates in 1989:

International & Military Mail Outbound Air Mail
Africa—Air Letters, Dec. 1st. Alaska—Air Parcels, Dec. 8th; Air Letters, Dec. 8th; PAL, Dec. 1st; SAM, Nov. 24th. Hawaii—Air Parcels, Dec. 8th; Air Letters, Dec. 8th; Australia—Air Letters, Nov. 24th; PAL, Nov. 24th. Caribbean—Air Parcels, Dec. 8th; Air Letters, Dec. 8th; PAL, Nov. 24th.

Europe—Air Parcels, Dec. 1st; Air Letters, Dec. 1st; PAL, Nov. 24th. Far East—Air Parcels, Dec. 1st; Air Letters, Dec. 1st; PAL, Nov. 24th. Greenland—Air Parcels, Dec. 1st; Air Letters, Dec. 1st; PAL, Nov. 24th. Middle East—Air Letters, Nov. 24th. Central & South America—Air Parcels, Dec. 4th; Air Letters, Dec. 4th; PAL, Nov. 24th.

Westfield Savings Bank Holds Quarterly Meeting

Westfield Savings Bank held its quarterly meeting on October 17th at the Yankee Pedlar Inn. President Donald A. Williams reported another consecutive growth quarter for 1989.

Deposits increased by \$4,478,074, while assets grew by \$5,955,567. Bank deposits to date total \$283,533,540 with assets totalling a record \$315,621,076 for the third quarter. Net income increased \$522,363.

Williams noted that the prime lending rate remained at 10.5 percent for the past two quarters, while interest rates fluctuated one quarter of a per cent. Third quarter mortgage lending growth grew by \$780,023 totalling \$206,149,921, with consumer lending slightly down due to the sale of student loans in the second quarter.

It was also announced that the new Southwick branch will be opening late January and the Agawam branch bank now offers night deposits.

WMECO Intends To File For 1990 Retail Rate Increase

Western Massachusetts Electric Company (WMECO) today notified the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities (DPU) that it intends to file for an increase in retail electric rates in mid-December or as soon as practicable thereafter. WMECO anticipates that new rates, if approved, would go into effect in mid-1990.

The request will complete the fifth, and final step of the phase-in of the costs associated with the commercial operation of the Millstone 3 nuclear power plant in Waterford, Connecticut. WMECO owns 12.2 percent of the 1,150-megawatt plant, which cost \$3.8-billion to complete. Millstone 3 began operation in April 1986. The first step of the phase-in began in July 1986.

WMECO will also seek to recover increases in its operating costs and will attempt to improve its financial condition.

WMECO, a subsidiary of Northeast Utilities, serves approximately 190,000 electric customers in 59 Western Massachusetts cities and towns.

BayBank Receives Employer Support Award

BayBank Valley Trust Company recently received the Massachusetts Department of Defense Chairman's Award for Employer Support of the National Guard and Reserve. Massachusetts State Chairman Stanley Zucker presented the award to Richard A. Stebbins, president of BayBank Valley, as part of a national effort to recognize supportive employers of Guardsmen and Reservists.

BayBank Valley Trust Company has personnel policies that encourage employee participation in the National Guard and Reserve, and thus plays a critical role in maintaining the personnel strength and in the readiness of these forces.

BayBank's employee participation in the Guard and

Reserve's organization includes Peter Weston, vice president and senior trust officer. Weston oversees the Personal Trust Division at BayBank Valley, which specializes in trust administration, estate settlement, private foundations and charitable trusts.

In addition, Weston is a captain in the Naval Reserve. He has been a member of the Reserve for 18 years, with three years active duty aboard a destroyer in the Pacific. He is currently the Executive Officer of Readiness Unit Chicopee, an organization with approximately 150 assigned men and women. The purpose of the unit is to train personnel so they will be ready for mobilization in the event of a national emergency.

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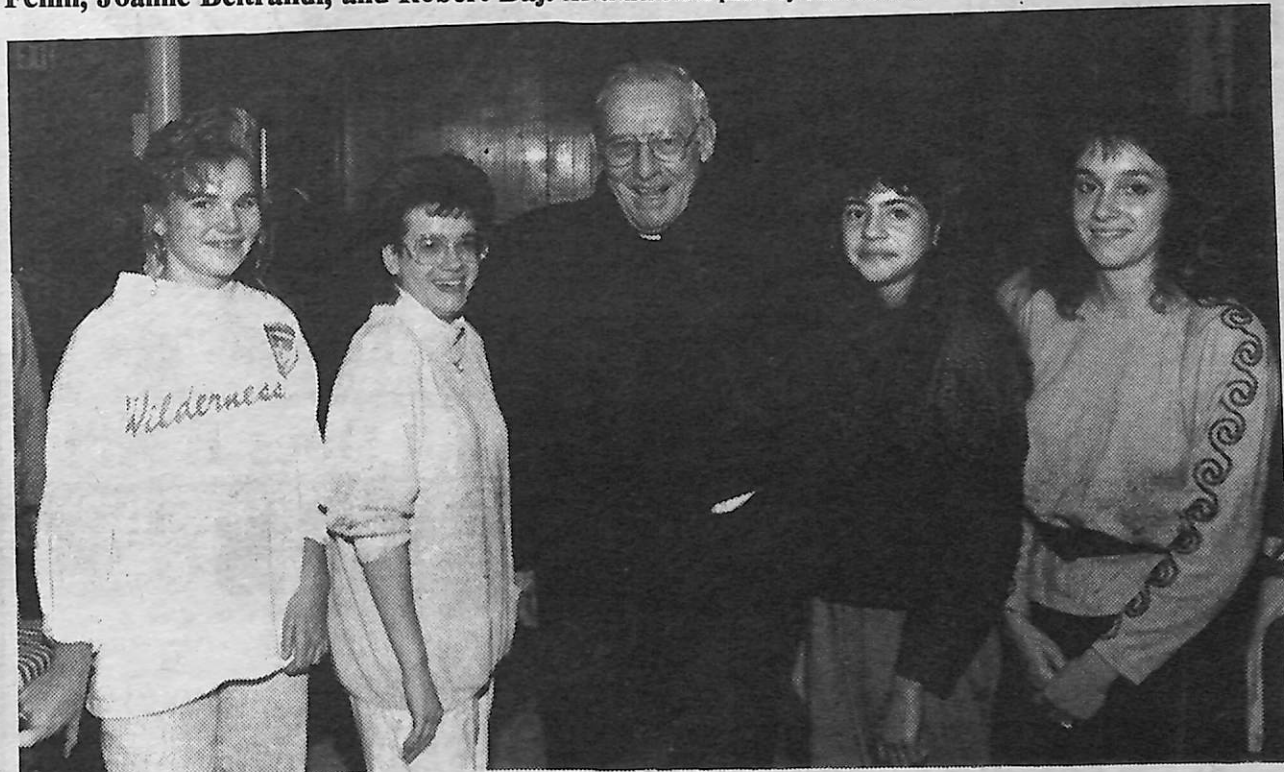
So Long Dear Friend, Father Fellin



ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH in North Agawam gave long-time priest Father Joseph Fellin a fond farewell. Father Fellin has been reassigned to Cromwell, Connecticut. From left with Father Fellin are parishioners Arthur & Janet Gallerani, Rosemary Kusiak, Lorraine Labun, Father Fellin, Joan Bonello, Barbara Nicora, and Eva Nascembeni. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



MORE ST. ANTHONY PARISHIONERS give Father Joseph Fellin a fond adieu at a reception in the Church Hall. From left - Rosalie Napoli, Louis Scherpa, Patrick Napoli, Father Fellin, Joanne Beltrandi, and Robert Baj. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



YOUNG LADIES of St. Anthony say so-long to Father Joseph Fellin - From left - Sandi Angotti, Terese Field, Father Fellin, Lisa Reveruzzi, and Ann Hartmann. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Cancer Society Plans Annual Trees Festival In Westfield Dec. 1-3

The Westfield unit of the American Cancer Society will once again hold its Holiday Festival of Trees, on December 1st, 2nd, and 3rd. This magical event for the whole family will be held at the Westfield Woman's Club.

There will be over 120 Holiday items, including eight completely decorated, full-size artificial Christmas trees, available for purchase throughout the event. These items—trees, wreaths, stockings, door swags, and table-top decorations—were handcrafted, fashioned or decorated by local school groups, businesses, organizations and individuals. The money raised will go to the American Cancer Society and any purchase is tax deductible.

A "Preview Party and Sale" is planned for December 1st, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m., at the Westfield Woman's Club on Court Street, in which "A Taste of Westfield" is the main activity.

"A Taste of Westfield" is a large buffet-style sample of several area restaurants' delicacies. According to Bob Ferriter Jr., publicist for the event, "Just picture your favorite restaurants creating the exquisite foods that they specialize in, and having them all at one table!" Restaurants scheduled for participation at this time are: Burgundy's, Davio's, Eat-A-Pizza, Foster House, Fowler Farms, Gaetano's, and Points East. Several others are expected.

Live entertainment will be provided by area musicians and the Westfield State College music department.

The sale and entertainment will continue on Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and on Sunday from 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m.

Tickets for the preview party are \$6 and may be purchased in advance at the Westfield Chamber of Commerce, Barbara's Flower Garden, and the Noble Hospital Gift Shop. General admission tickets for Saturday and Sunday are \$2 for adults, and \$1 for senior citizens and children. For more ticket information, call 562-5568 after 5:00 p.m.

Catholic Women Slate Communion Supper

The Communion Supper for the Catholic Women's Club of Agawam was held on Monday evening, November 13th. Mass was celebrated at 6:30 p.m., followed by supper in the parish center.

Reverend William Hamilton was the celebrant and guest speaker for the evening offering a delightful program.

Mrs. James Doyle and Mrs. William Beaudry were cochairwomen for the event and were assisted by Mrs. Francis Capitanio, Mrs. Stanley Ciempa, Mrs. Charles Mathieu, Mrs. Roman Merklein, Mrs. Raymond Negrucci, Mrs. James O'Keefe, Sr., Mrs. Anthony Pietroniro, Eleanor Pietroniro, Mrs. John Romano, Mrs. Albert Taupier, Mrs. James Taupier, and Mrs. Patrick Vassallo.

The next meeting of the Catholic Women's Club will be Monday, December 11th, in St. John's Parish Center.

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AGAWAM RESIDENTS WHO VOLUNTEERED their services for the recent elderly food distribution at Sacred Heart Parish Center are Frank Evangelista, Marco Commisso, Pat Landers, Alice Ramponi, and Lee Dion. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Methodist Church Plans Bazaar



SHOWING-OFF SOME of the items on sale at the December 2nd Christmas Bazaar sponsored by the Agawam United Methodist Church are Pauline Mickey, Evelyn Newbrough, and Lil Haidemenos. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Sacred Heart Bazaar Now Being Planned By Rosary Altar Society

Mark your calendar now for the annual Christmas Bazaar at Sacred Heart Church, Feeding Hills. The Bazaar will be Friday, December 1st, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m., and Saturday, December 2nd, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Many people have been hard at work to make the bazaar a success. Although sponsored by the Rosary Altar Society, people throughout the parish help in many ways.

One of the most popular rooms at the Bazaar is the Children's Shopping Room, where children can shop (without their parents, no adults allowed), and find just the right gift, at a price they can afford, and then have it wrapped, all set for under the tree. Ann Marie Liptak is chairwoman of the room, with Jackie Jendza and Kay Rau on her committee.

Of course, the Attic Treasures are always a popular stop; there is no telling what "prize" you might find there. Annette Phaneuf is busy preparing all of the treasures for this room. Another favorite stop is the Country Corner where many people have been making aprons, placemats, gathering berries, plants, arranging baskets of flowers, and much more! You will also find knitted and crocheted items—hats, mittens, scarves, baby items, etc. Emily Hayes is in charge there. In with the Country Corner you will also find homemade pickles and jams. Theresa Barlow is gathering these goodies.

In the main room you will find many exciting booths, perhaps a baked food made by the many excellent cooks of Sacred Heart. The Baked Foods are chaired by Dolly Morassi and Mary Spinelli. Or maybe a piece of candy offered by Dottie Brusseau. And right in season is the Christmas Corner, with all kinds of decorations, wreaths, tree skirts, and more. Ethel Dumond is the chairwoman.

All kinds of toys can be found at the Toy Booth, chaired by Penny Martineau. A nice selection of jewelry is at the booth chaired by Lee Dion.

Also a popular stop is at the previously owned books and magazines, gathered and displayed by Betty Sheridan.

By this time you will want to stop and have a sandwich and coffee, at the refreshment tables, prepared for you by Velia DeBiasio and Jean Rose.

This entire day is co-chaired by Helen Liptak, Mary Davis, and Julia Zajchowski (who is also president of the Rosary Altar Society). Plan now to stop in—you'll find it worth your time.

West Side Coin Club To Meet Sunday, November 26th

The West Springfield Coin Club will meet Sunday, November 26th, at 7:00 p.m., at the Office Building on 1111 Elm Street, West Springfield.

Business and topical discussions will take place. Dealers will be available as usual. A small auction of numismatic material is planned. Refreshments will be served/available.

The public is invited. Visitors/guests are welcome as well as potential new members. For further information, contact Peter Setion, 596-9871.

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MAKING GIFTS TO BE SOLD at the upcoming Sacred Heart Church Bazaar are Rosary Altar Society members, from left - Julia Zajchowski, Mary A. Ladner, Ethel Dumond, Mary Davis, Nancy Doucette, and Helen Liptak. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Mercy Warren DAR To Hold Annual Xmas Meeting In Springfield December 5th

In preparing for its upcoming "Century of Service to the Nation" (1890-1990), the Mercy Warren Chapter, Daughter of the American Revolution, will hold its Christmas meeting on Tuesday, December 5th, at 1:00 p.m., in the Guild Room of Faith Church, Springfield. A tea will be held at 12:15 p.m., hosted by the Hannah Dustin Club and a display of DAR memorabilia will be shown by Dorothy Dewey of Suffield, Connecticut. The announcement was made by Marion Grugan of Longmeadow, president of the Hannah Dustin Club.

A silent auction, Christmas Boutique including a bake and book sale will be led by Vice Regent Dianne Little of Agawam.

Following the meeting, a slide presentation of the National Society headquarters will be shown. The three buildings include Memorial Continental Hall which was designated as a Registered National Historic Landmark by the U.S. Department of the Interior, National Park Service, because of the historic conference on the Limitation of Armaments held there from November 12th, 1921 to February 6th, 1922, the first time in history that major powers had met to discuss armaments.

The second building is Constitution Hall. The National Geographic Society has presented its yearly lecture series there since 1933. The auditorium seats 3,800 people, making it the largest such facility in the Nation's capital.

The third building, the Administration Building, connects the above two buildings. It contains the DAR Museum with the Americana Collection of original documents and art objects dating before 1830. It also houses the Genealogical Library, one of the largest in the country.

These three buildings are the largest group of buildings in the world built, owned and preserved by women.

The DAR, a genealogical society, is open to all women, 18 years and older, who are lineally descended from a man or woman who gave military service or helped the American cause in the American Revolutionary War. Anyone interested in future membership of the 212,000-member society should contact membership chairman Elizabeth Cahill of Wilbraham, 596-3160, or Mercy Warren Chapter Regent Shirley Gentry of West Springfield, 733-5484.

UNICO Christmas Party Slated For December 13th

Agawam UNICO will hold its Annual Christmas Party on Wednesday, December 13th, at the Shaker Farms Country Club, Westfield. Cocktail hour will be from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. Provided will be cheese trays, crackers, and a champagne fountain.

Dinner will include two choices: stuffed breast of capon or baked scrod. Also included will be wine toast, fruit cup, tossed salad, potato, vegetable, rolls, coffee,

etc. Dessert will be peach melba. Price per person is \$12.

Dinner music and entertainment will be provided, plus a gift for everyone. Members and friends of UNICO are cordially invited. For committed reservations, please call Lou Scherpa, 786-0203, or Frank Paradiso, 789-0579, chairmen.

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Town Residents In L'Union Jean-Baptist Celebration In Sprfld.

Council 324, St. Thomas Aquinas, of L'Union St. Jean-Baptiste, recently celebrated the anniversary of the Council being founded.

A Mass was celebrated at 4:00 p.m., on Saturday, October 14th, at St. Thomas Aquinas Church in Springfield. Reverend Rodolphe Guilmette, pastor of the church and spiritual director of the St. Thomas Aquinas Council, was celebrant. Attending the Mass was Congressman Richard E. Neal of Massachusetts.

A reception followed at the Knights of Columbus Hall, Memorial Drive, Chicopee.

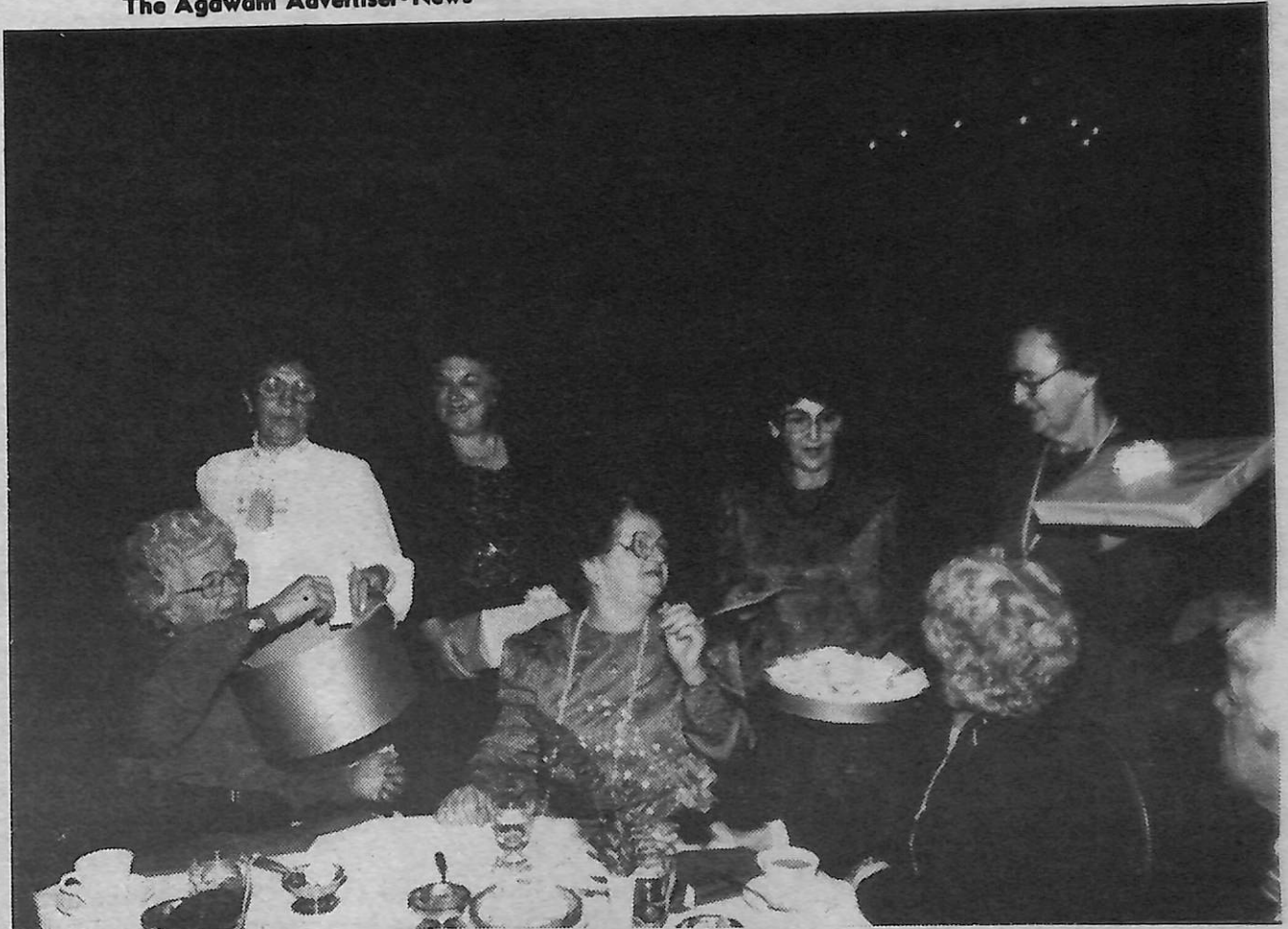
Laurent Stanislas of Agawam, president, welcomed the guests and introduced his committee members: Rose Stanislas of Agawam; Theresa Brodeur of Agawam; Jeannine Beaudette and Denis Vermette of West Springfield; Rollande Berube, Germaine Pepin, and Rachel Marois of Springfield; Marcel & Lillian Peloquin of Chicopee.

Lillian Peloquin, mistress of ceremonies, read a proclamation from Mayor Mary Hurley of Springfield. Rose Vermette of Ludlow, who was unable to attend, will be awarded her 50-year member pin. A tribute was made to Mrs. Rollande Berube of Springfield by President Stanislas for her many years of service as outgoing secretary. A plaque and gift were awarded to her.

Robert Grenier, board member of L'Union, greeted everyone on behalf of USJB President Robert Mailloux of Woonsocket, Rhode Island. He gave a history of the Council by saying that Council 324 was founded on March 19, 1919 and that councils were named after parish patron saints. He further stated that USJB provides financial security to its members as well as various benefits for the entire family. Members can take advantage of discounts at theme parks, museums and civic centers as well as enjoy a children's club and charter rates on trips and benefit from a recognition program.

USJB Councils donated \$32,627.20 in 1988 to community and charitable projects here in Massachusetts and spent 48,495 volunteer hours to help people in their respective communities.

A "Soiree Canadienne" followed with singing and dancing. Mr. & Mrs. Leo Blais of West Springfield provided the fiddle with accompaniment for square dancing A La Canadienne. Dancing music was provided by the Sounds of Music of Agawam. Door prizes were awarded.



AWARDING DOOR PRIZES at St. Thomas Aquinas, L'Union St. Jean-Baptiste are Rollande Berube, Theresa Brodeur, Lillian Peloquin, Jeannine Beaudette and Rose Stanislas.

Ag. Congregational Sets Capon Dinner Dec. 2

The Merriweds of Agawam Congregational Church are sponsoring a Boneless Breast of Capon Dinner on Saturday, December 2nd, at the church, 745 Main Street, Agawam. There will be two sittings at 5:00 and 6:15 p.m.

The menu will include boneless breast of capon,

baked potatoes, carrots, cole slaw, cranberry sauce, rolls, coffee, tea, or milk, and homemade cakes for dessert. Dinner for adults will be \$6.25, children under 12, \$3.25.

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Old-Fashioned New England Christmas At Storowton Village December 2nd & 3rd

Did you know...
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...that most early American families did not have "real" Christmas trees?
...that at one time, Christmas trees were decorated exclusively with edible ornaments?

These and other fascinating facts will be examined and discussed at "Christmas Past and Pleasant" Storowton Village's Winter Holiday Festival, Saturday and Sunday, December 2nd and 3rd, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Admission is free for all ages.

In addition to a variety of festive activities, historic lectures will be presented at the Meeting House.

Local history buff Dick Garvey, associate publisher and columnist for the *Springfield Newspapers* will examine "Christmas—The Holiday That Fought Its Way Into the Hearts of Connecticut Valley Families," on Saturday, December 2nd, at 1:30 p.m.

Vernon Phelps, Storowton Village's curatorial assistant will discuss "Christmas Trees and Traditions" and explain how decorations and ornaments have changed over the years on Sunday, December 3rd, at 1:30 p.m.

Other activities planned for the holiday festival include tours of decorated Village homes and buildings, performances by folksingers, storytellers, a bell choir and local choral groups, hay rides, games and live animals on the Village Green, holiday foods, crafts, blacksmith demonstrations, visits with Santa and more.

The Exposition hosts two other shows that weekend—The Old Deerfield Christmas Sampler Craft Fair, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., in the New England Center (\$3 admission) and The Holiday Antiques and Collectibles Show in the Young Building (\$2.50 admission). There will be transportation linking all three shows.

For additional information, call the Village office, 787-0136.

Trading Post Sale At Ag. First Baptist

A special sale will be held Wednesday, November 29th, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., at the First Baptist Church, Main and Elm Streets, Agawam.

This is the Trading Post, first special sale of the season, and we will have an added feature—an Upstairs, Downstairs Sale! All items (Upstairs) will be 50 percent off the sale ticket price. All items (Downstairs) will be our special 20 percent off sale.

We have an excellent assortment of good as new winter garments for the entire family. For the ladies, we do have some good choices in the larger sizes, regular and for the petite size. Shop early for the best choice!

And the Children's Room is filled with good buys for all ages. Children grow so fast; shop with us first. If we have your size you will save dollars.

The shop also carries many miscellaneous items, small household articles, drapes, etc., paperbacks, games, knickknacks, boots and shoes, jewelry—a room full of goodies. Come by.

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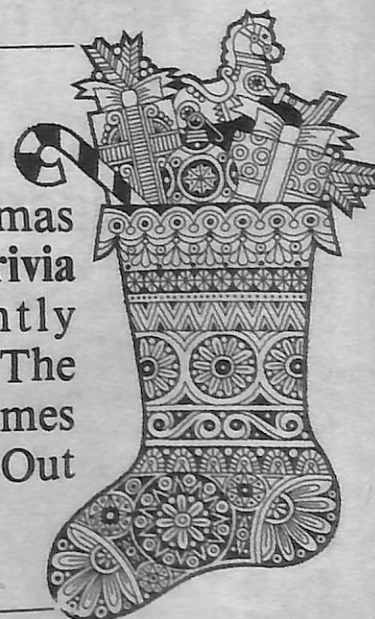
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Children's Giving Tree Unveiled

The Sixth Annual Children's giving Tree began the 1989 holiday season with an opening ceremony at the Baystate West Shops. The celebration took place at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, November 21st.

Central High School's Madrigal Singers performed Christmas carols while students from the Springfield Day Nursery and members of the Springfield Golden Age Club placed the first handmade ornaments on the tree.

Now a local tradition, the Children's Giving Tree, sponsored by the Milton Bradley Company, makes certain that needy children in the Springfield area receive Christmas presents. For every handmade ornament placed on the tree, Milton Bradley will donate a toy or game to one of three children's charities.

Representatives from the charities—the United Way, The Salvation Army Toy for Joy, and the Marine Corps Toys for Tots—joined Milton Bradley President George Ditomassi, for the opening day festivities.

•Milton Bradley began its Children's Giving Tree in 1984. (Concept established by Hasbro in 1983.)

•Contributors to the Giving Tree are local schoolchildren, residents, and members of civic and social organizations.

•Now a local tradition, the Giving Tree program has provided nearly 100,000 holiday presents to disadvantaged children in the past six years.

•The toys and games are distributed by branches of the United Way, the Salvation Army Toy for Joy, and the Marine Corps Toys for Tots which serve the Pioneer Valley.

•The Giving Tree is 24 feet tall and is located at Baystate West, where it is the center of a setting designed to look like a Victorian sitting room decorated for Christmas.

For more information, contact Joy Zukowski at Milton Bradley, 525-6411, extension 2393.

Holiday Heat Dance Planned At StageWest

To help kick-off the holiday season with a rousing good time, StageWest is offering area residents and visitors a Holiday Heat Dance Party, Saturday, December 2nd, 1989.

This night to remember begins at 7:30 p.m., with a performance of StageWest's production of Charles Dickens' classic *A Christmas Carol*.

Immediately following the show, party revellers can go to the lobby where they can dance to the live rock-n-roll music of The Bayhounds.

At midnight there will be a raffle drawing. First prize is a ski weekend at the Topnotch Resort & Spa in Stowe, Vermont. Second prize is a \$200.00 shopping spree at Steiger's in Springfield. Third prize is dinner for four at the Ivanhoe restaurant in West Springfield. People either use their theatre tickets for the drawing or can buy additional chances for one dollar. However, to win a prize, you must be in attendance during the draw-

ing.

Tickets for the show of *A Christmas Carol* and the ensuing dance party are \$22 for balcony seats and \$27 for orchestra seats. This year's production is sponsored by Milton Bradley, in cooperation with Digital Equipment Corporation and the Bank of Boston, and is funded in part by the Massachusetts Council on the Arts and Humanities, a state agency.

StageWest is located at One Columbus Center in downtown Springfield. Take Springfield Center exits off Route 91, exit six if travelling north and exit seven if travelling south. Convenient parking is available in the Columbus Center parking garage about the theatre.

For more information about StageWest's *A Christmas Carol* or to purchase tickets for the Holiday Heat Dance Party, contact StageWest's box office at 413-781-2340 between the hours of noon and curtain time, Tuesday through Sunday.

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December 1st: Chapter 1—Dinner Board meeting.

December 6th: Chapter 2—Annual Christmas Party at Chez Josef. Social Hour, 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Dinner at 12:00 noon.

December 7th: Chapter 1—Trip to Newport, Rhode Island, to visit the mansions decorated for Christmas.

December 12th: Chapter 2—Trip to Vanity Fair, then on to White's Restaurant for dinner and a show. On the way home we will view the Christmas lights at the Attleboro Shrine.

December 13th: Chapter 1—Annual Christmas Party at Chez Josef. Social Hour, 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Dinner at 12:00 noon.

December 20th: Chapter 2—Annual Christmas Party at the Senior Center.

December 27th: Chapter 1—A New Year's Eve party at the Senior Center.

December 29th: Chapter 2—Board of Directors' meeting. CANCELLED.

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Saturday, December 2nd
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Saturday, December 2nd
St. John's Church Bazaar
Catholic Women's Club
Parish Center, Main Street
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Saturday, December 2nd
Roast Beef Supper
Operation Friendship
Feeding Hills Congregational Church
5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, December 6th
Christmas Meeting
Feeding Hills Women's Club
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AGAWAM LIONS BOB BROCK (left) and Fred Serra (president) are pictured with Cheryl Fennyery (center), a representative of the Springfield Turnverein, on Friday, November 10th, the night the Lions and Turnverein joined forces to hold a benefit for seven year-old Jessica Bruso, to help defray medical expenses. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Feeding Hills Women's Club Slates Meeting December 6th

The Feeding Hills Women's Club will have its Christmas meeting on Wednesday, December 6th, at the Grange Hall, North West Street, at 7:30 p.m. The Mitten Tree will be beautifully decorated and taken care of by Marjorie Taylor. A mini bazaar is also held at this time.

Program for the evening is "Christmas Decorations" by Feeding Hills Florist.

Hostesses assisting President Virginia Lake are Marjorie Taylor, chairwoman, Peg LaFountain, Betty Bava, and Mary Morris.

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NANCY CANNIZZARO & FRAN SERRA collect tickets at the door at the benefit supper for seven year-old Jessica Bruso at the Springfield Turnverein. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



ORGANIZING THE BENEFIT SUPPER for seven year-old Jessica Bruso are committee members (back row) Gina Korney, Connie Faulkner, Kathy Mouneimneh, and Robin Gottardi (with son Michael). Front row - Cheryl Panek, Joyce Drenzek, Denise Champion, and Pam Quirk. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Forastiere's Funeral Homes Holding Workshop on Grief

On Sunday, November 26th, December 3rd, and 10th, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., The Workshop Option—a four-series session in understanding yourself during the grief process—will continue with sessions two, three, and four at Sacred Heart Parish Center, 1059 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills. (Part one of the workshop was held on Sunday, November 19th.)

Sponsored by Forastiere, Colonial, and Southwick Funeral Homes, and open to anyone who has lost a loved one, The Workshop Option is offered only twice a year (April and November), so be sure not to miss it. All of the sessions build upon each other, so it is recommended that participants attempt to attend as many of the sessions as possible.

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St. John's Church Annual Bazaar, sponsored by the Catholic Women's Club of Agawam, will be held this year on Saturday, December 2nd, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., at St. John Church Parish Center, Main Street (Route 159), Agawam.

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The show will feature 197 booths of antiques and collectibles just perfect for Holiday gift giving. Dealers will be coming from all of the New England States, New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania.

Mr. Dudley will be available to repair fine china and porcelain. In addition to a selection of Christmas collectibles, several of the dealers will be offering antique toys, children's books and furniture. Others will be offering everything from African and American Indian collectibles, to baseball cards, bric-a-brac, cameras, collector plates and commemoratives, lots of country collectibles and furniture, dolls, ephemera, estate linen and jewelry, fine art, furniture of all types, glassware, kitchen collectibles, oriental rugs, perfume bottles, primitives, quilts, sheet music, steins, teddy bears, vintage clothing and much, much more. Many dealers will be bringing small, moderately priced items perfect for gift giving. Over 20 dealers will be offering furniture items for the holiday.

Christmas music will lend a holiday atmosphere to the show. On Sunday historic Storowton Village, located on the grounds of Eastern States, will conduct the Winter Holiday Festival during the show hours. This will include colonial costumes, recreations and a colonial holiday celebration.

Admission to The New England Holiday Antiques & Collectibles Show will be only \$2.50 with ample free parking. American Express, MasterCard, Visa and Discover will be honored by participating dealers. Eastern States may be reached via I-91 and Route 5 in West Springfield. Special hotel rates are available by contacting The Maven Company, P.O. Box 1538, Waterbury, CT 06721, (203) 758-3880.

Genesis Life Center Gives Dec. Schedule

The Genesis Spiritual Life Center has announced its December schedule of workshops and retreats, which are all open to the public.

The schedule follows:

December 3rd, 2:00 to 5:00 p.m., "Retreat for Couples."

December 6th, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., "Retreat for Women: Advent Theme."

December 8th-10th, "Marriage, the Mystical Journey of Two: Revisioning the Sacrament of Catholic Marriage."

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December 29th-January 1st, "Year's End Retreat."

Ongoing support groups at Genesis include: Separated and Divorced Persons, meeting the second and fourth Mondays of the month at 7:30 p.m. Grieving Persons, meeting the third Sunday of the month at 2:00 p.m. Adult Children of Alcoholics, meeting every Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

Ministerial Days for reflection, reading, quiet, and study are available for those in full or part-time ministry. They include lunch and the use of a private room.

The Genesis Spiritual Life Center designs and sponsors workshops, retreats, courses, and lectures. It seeks to encourage the integration of mind, body, and spirit in ways that promote growth and social responsibility.

The nonprofit Center, which welcomes people of all faiths, is owned and operated by the Sisters of Providence and is a member of Providence Systems.

To register for programs, or for more information, call Genesis, 562-3627.

Lions Club Assists Jessica Bruso



A BENEFIT WAS HELD AT THE Springfield Turnverein on Friday, November 10th, to help pay for the medical expenses for seven year-old Jessica Bruso. Lions Club members assisting in the kitchen with the food included Harry Camyre (left), Matt Blackak, Al Malone, and Diane Simpson (Agawam Lioness). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



RUTH AND MICHAEL RIVERS had their meal at the Springfield Turnverein on Friday, November 10th to help defray the medical costs of seven year-old Jessica Bruso. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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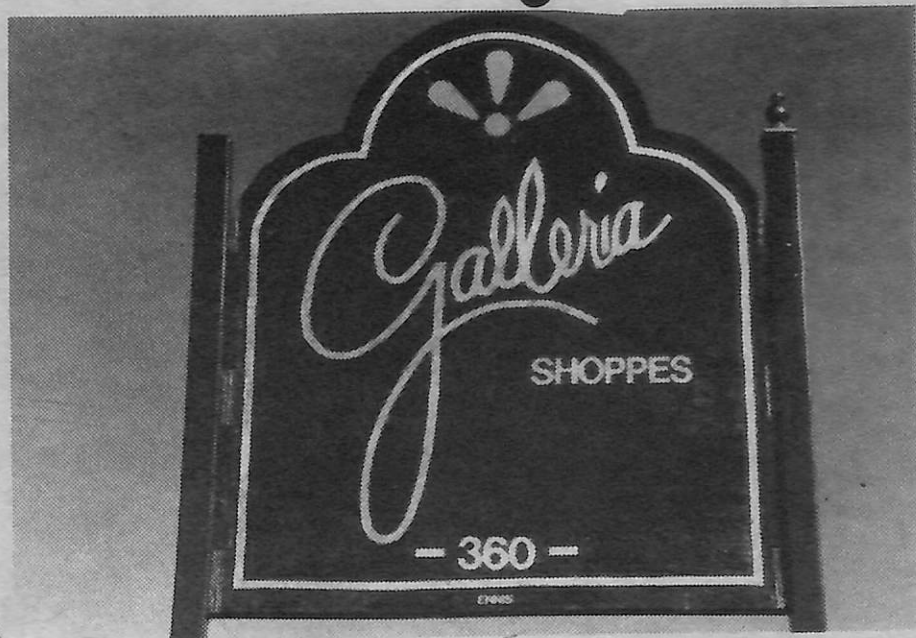
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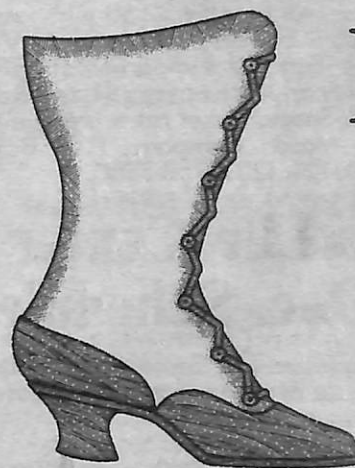
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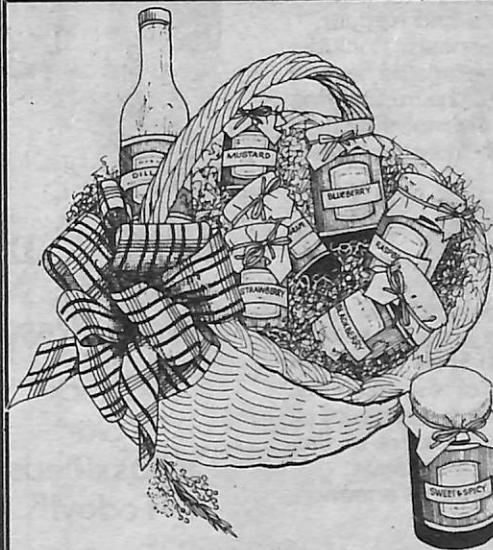
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LOUIS & LOUISE SCHERPA of 6 Althea Circle, Agawam, at Chez Josef on November 10th when Louis received his "Man of the Year" Award from the Agawam UNICO club. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



AGAWAM UNICO "Man of the Year" LOUIS SCHERPA receives his award from committee Chairman Frank Chriscola on Friday, November 10th, at Chez Josef. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Huge Crowd Attends UNICO Dinner To Honor "Man Of Year" Louis Scherpa

At Chez Josef on Friday, November 10th, a large gathering of family, friends, and fellow Agawam UNICO members honored "Man of the Year" Louis Scherpa of Althea Circle, Agawam.

Scherpa, with his wife, Louise, and family members by his side, graciously accepted the prestigious award given annually by Agawam UNICO at the organization's Annual Dinner Dance.

Scherpa was praised and given proclamations by Agawam Mayor Christopher C. Johnson; State Senator Linda Melconian; Kathy Sheehan, legislative aide to State Representative Michael P. Walsh; Town Councilor Louis Russo; Agawam Golden Age Club Chaplain Fern Stowe; and Frank Chriscola, a long-time UNICO member who presented Scherpa with his award.

Both Johnson and Senator Melconian cited their long friendship with Scherpa, with Johnson stating he has known him "since he was knee-high."

Serving as master of ceremonies for the affair was David C. Gallano, the former town treasurer/collector who is also a veteran member of Agawam UNICO.

Gallano cited Scherpa for his many years of service to

UNICO and to the community, and also called Scherpa an "outstanding family man." Scherpa was seated in front of the rostrum with his entire family.

During his acceptance speech, Scherpa said he was honored by the award, and had many fond memories of his years of service to both UNICO and to the town.

In recent years Scherpa is best known for his leadership and advocacy of elderly issues as president of the Agawam Golden Age Club. He is well-liked and respected for his continuing assistance and concern for elderly affairs.

While serving as president of the Agawam Golden Age Club, Scherpa realized the town's elderly population was growing and club expansion was necessary. With permission granted from the Agawam Council on Aging, he proceeded to establish a second Golden Age Chapter.

A large contingent of Agawam Golden Age Club members were in attendance to watch Scherpa receive his "Man of the Year" Award and to enjoy the even-

ing with his family.

Scherpa has served as president of both chapters of the Agawam Golden Age Club and continues to serve as president of Chapter Two.

His involvement with Agawam UNICO has been one of dedication, which has been to the betterment of not only to UNICO but to the entire community. He is chairman of the Membership Committee and the Memorial Mass Committee.

He is also chairman of the Christmas Party Committee and is a member of UNICO's board of directors and District Committee.

He also has been active over the years in a myriad of other civic activities, ranging from Cub and Explorer Scouts, Agawam High Band Parents, church groups at St. Anthony of Padua, Victor Emanuel Club, and West Springfield-Agawam Elks.

Scherpa is the former owner and operator of Scherpa's Service Station on Walnut Street. He retired in 1977 after 31 years as a small businessman.

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AGAWAM UNICO DINNER DANCE GENERAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS with "Man of the Year" Louis Scherpa. From left - Frank Chriscola, Charles Calabrese, Louis Scherpa, Edward Disco, and David Gallano. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



"MAN OF THE YEAR" Louis Scherpa with his wife and family. Back row, from left - John, William, Louis Jr., and Donna Scherpa. Middle - Christine, Paula, Louise (Lou's wife), Louis Sr., and Katherine Scherpa. Front row - Zachary and Caroline Scherpa. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



LOUIS SCHERPA with his wife, Louise, and sons John, William, and Louis Jr., at the Dinner Dance sponsored by Agawam UNICO. Louis was this year's selection as "Man of the Year." Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



LOUIS SCHERPA receives a citation from the Massachusetts House of Representatives from Katherine Sheehan, legislative aide to State Representative Michael P. Walsh. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



FERN STOWE, chaplain of the Agawam Golden Age Club Chapter 2, says some kind words about "Man of the Year" Louis Scherpa at the Agawam UNICO Dinner Dance on November 10th. Louis is president of the Golden Age Club's Chapter 2. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Scherpa Proud Recipient Of UNICO "Man of Year"



LOUIS SCHERPA receives a citation from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts from State Senator Linda J. Melconian at Chez Josef, Friday, November 11th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



A PROCLAMATION honoring the selection of Louis Scherpa as UNICO's "Man of the Year" is presented by Mayor Christopher C. Johnson. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



MEMBERS OF THE BANQUET COMMITTEE, from left -David Gallano (master of ceremonies) and Louis Russo (right) with "Man of the Year" Louis Scherpa at Chez Josef. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



TOWN COUNCILOR and Agawam UNICO member Louis Russo presents "Man of the Year" Louis Scherpa with a proclamation from the Agawam Town Council. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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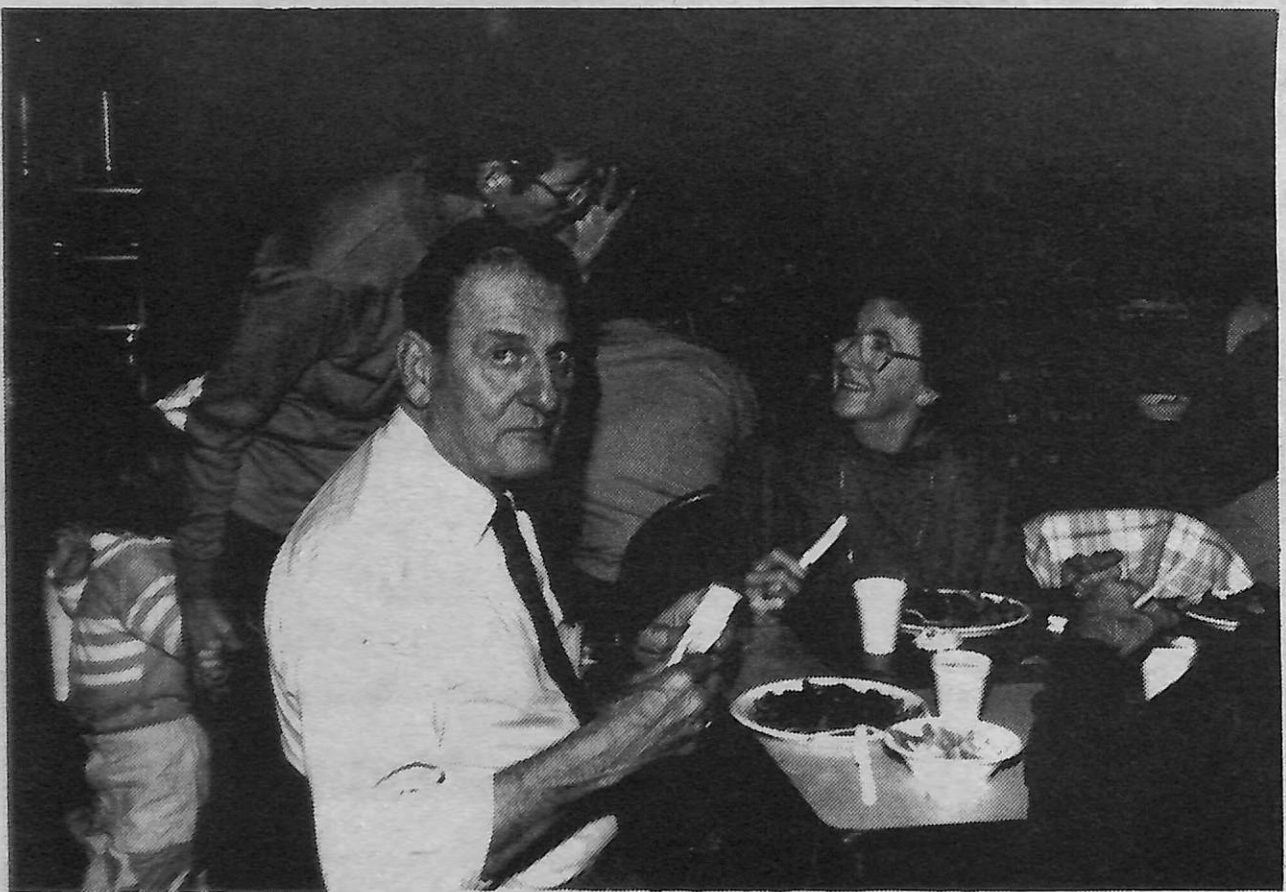
Catholic Women's Club Knee-Deep In Spaghetti Sauce...



JUST ABOUT TO DIG-IN at the Annual Macaroni Supper sponsored by the Catholic Women's Club at St. John's Parish Center are Linda Bertrand, Max Bertrand, Spencer Beaver, Gwen Beaver, and Lana Casiello. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



JUST HAPPY TO BE HERE AND enjoying good food at the Annual Macaroni Supper sponsored by the Catholic Women's Club are John & Marsha Doran Zebryk. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



TOWN COUNCILOR PHIL DEFORGE is about to enjoy his macaroni supper with his wife, Penny (seated), at the Catholic Women's Club's Annual Macaroni Supper. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

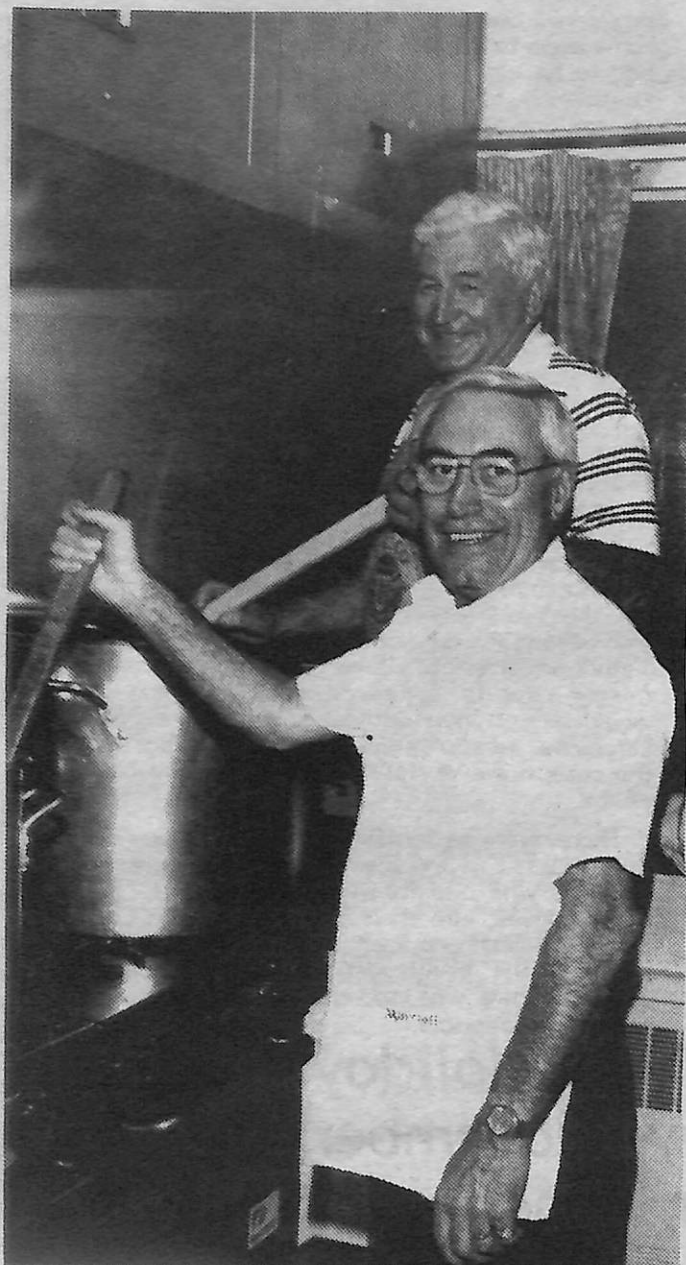


AGAWAM UNICO'S famous "Sauce Queen," Jennie Christopher (left), lent her expertise to the Catholic Women's Club. Also in photo are kitchen helpers Rita Moore and Micky Adelman. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



SERVING SALAD at the Annual Macaroni Supper sponsored by the Catholic Women's Club are Eleanor Pietroniro and Minnie Moran. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

At Annual Macaroni Supper In Parish Center



STIRRING THE SAUCE in the kitchen of the Catholic Women's Club are parishioners Ed Disco (front) and Charlie Calabrese. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



WORKING HARD IN THE KITCHEN to keep-up with the large crowd who attended the Annual Macaroni Dinner sponsored by the Catholic Women's Club are Rose Dean, Evelyn Romano, and Alice Pietroniro. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



YOUNG MAX BERTRAND admitted that eating macaroni with proper table etiquette was not his forte (but having a good time while eating seemed to be no problem for Max). Max attended the Annual Macaroni dinner sponsored by the Agawam Catholic Women's Club. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



COLLECTING TICKETS at the door at the Annual Macaroni Supper at St. John's Parish Center are Catholic Women's Club members Margaret Saliba and Elaine Smith. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Feeding Hills At Shay's Rebellion

Samuel Flower Of Feeding Hills - Part III

Shays' Rebellion - 1786

It would appear that following each time of service in Samuel Flower's military career, he had returned to Feeding Hills. Apparently, after faithful service to the American cause in the Revolution, Flower again returned to the village, apparently a man of some importance and monetary significance.

We find some evidence to the fact that Flower was not in a state of poverty or duress following the war. According to town historian Edith LaFrancis, the situation leading to the outbreak of Shays' Rebellion in

1786 was due to the number of veterans who returned to Western Massachusetts (only to discover that they were in debt). Subject to the law, many of these men unable to pay their debts, would face loss of their farms and/or imprisonment. Samuel Flower was not among their number!

Unlike Ethan Allen, Flower remained on the side of "justice" and the courts. Allen, on the other hand, was between favoring the rebel farmers and later to turn against them, siding with the government.

Perhaps Edith's statement is correct in summing up the situation of that time: *"As is usual in such situations, the 'haves' were satisfied with the status quo and the 'have nots' rebelled."*

Also, there remains a certain irony in that the Commonwealth allowed only landholders to vote, thus giving them a strong hand in government. Again, Samuel Flower was among the "chosen."

Flower is listed among the tax collectors from West Springfield dating from the year 1781-1789. Also, Everts listed him as being a town selectman and member of the State Legislature as early as the year 1774! There is small reason to question which side of the fence Samuel Flower stood on the matter of Shays' Rebellion.

At the time (winter of 1787), Shays' small army attempted to seize the Springfield Arsenal, Flower was an aid to General Shepard, who led the militia that dispersed the rebels. During this encounter, three men received wounds and two of them later died! It is small wonder that Colonel Flower was to become an enemy to the rebellious farmers. Further evidence of Flower being hated by the rebels may be found in the fact that at one time, perhaps prior to the Springfield Arsenal affair, several of Shays' men attempted to seize him at the family homestead in Feeding Hills.

Apparently, Flower was not at home at the time, thereby avoiding the wrath of the rebels who claimed, *"...they had a hundred bullets to put into him if he could be found."*

One must wonder if Flower had been alerted to the intentions of the rebels, making a hasty retreat from

the security of his home!

"Judge Not..."

At the time of the Shays' incident, Samuel Flower must have been in his mid-40's. Obviously a man of some importance and being a property owner, Flower had to be highly-respected by his fellow townsmen, considering his military accomplishments, political esteem, and apparent wealth.

It is easy for the "Monday morning quarterbacks" of the present day to question Flower's authoritative role during Shays' Rebellion. Yet, there might be reason to reconsider the possibility that the colonel might have been of a compromising nature. If one studies Flower's collections as given on Page 78 of the town history, it is possible that Flower might have been most considerate in not collecting back taxes as demanded for a given year.

Consider the following—Flower **did not collect** the full amount of tax money for the years 1781-1782 until 1784; taxes for the years 1784-1785 were only partly collected; and, in 1787, he *"collected part of a list of town taxes."*

Isn't it just possible that Flower, as tax collector, might have allowed more time to certain of those people unable to pay in full for a given time period? This would account for his turning in partial tax collections well beyond the date of expiration! If this be true, it is further possible that Flower might have accepted promissory notes for future payment (in which case he would seem to appear most generous in his attitude). Of course, we don't know with certainty that such was the case; however, let's give the man the benefit of doubt!

There might be further evidence of Flower's "open-mindedness" in the town history's account of local residents who had taken in "free persons," possibly former slaves, into their households. Edith LaFrancis assigns at least one such "free person" to the Samuel Flower family. In this respect, we might easily ascertain that Flower was indeed a man of compromising attitude and rationale.

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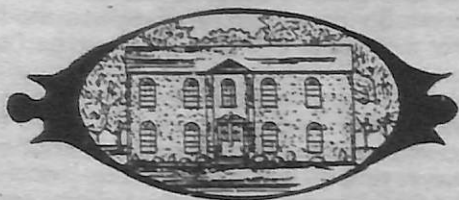
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6 rm home in center of town. Vinyl sided, 2 car gar. Business zoned. **\$139,900. Bob Molta, 569-5366.**

Lovely unusual ranch on quiet street. 3 lrg bedrms, firepl, din rm, rec rm, walkout bsmt. Lrg porch, 2 car gar, 3/4 acre w/brook. **\$144,900. Bob Molta, 569-5366.**

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Space for the in-laws in this oversized raised ranch. Total of 9 rms w/2 car det. gar. Owner may consider your home in trade. **\$187,500. Bob Molta, 569-5366.**

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Equity sharing? 2 master bedrms/baths in this 3 yr old oversized raised ranch. Acre-plus lot. **\$159,900. Barry Boccasile, 786-3624.**

CHESTER

Cozy 4 rm yr-rd cottage for great private living or weekend getaway. Remote location. Woods. Brook. 11 acres w/600' front can be subdivided. **\$115,900. Peg Lis, 569-3083.**

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E. For. Park: To be built: 5 rm L ranch. 1 1/2 baths. Deck. Bldr. w/ consid finan assist. **\$119,900. Barry Boccasile, 786-3624.**

Sixteen Acres: Talmadge area. Owner will consid finan assist. 3 br ranch. Better than new updating. **\$113,900. Kay Donaldson, 786-1288.**

Sixteen Acres: To be built: 5 rm ranch w/heavy insul. 1st time buyer MHFA funds avail thru bldr. **\$107,000. Barry Boccasile, 786-3624.**

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North End.: To be built: 5 rm L ranch. 2x6 constr. 1 1/2 baths. Deck. MHFA funds avail thru bldr. **\$89,900. Barry Boccasile, 786-3624.**

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Sunnyside Ranch Woods: Our prime new area off Hillside Road features gorgeous wooded lots with minimum of 60,000 s.f. This is where it's at! **Priced from \$66,000. Bob Molta, 569-5366.**

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35 choice acres in the heart of town have access from 3 streets. This prime site offers great development potential. Avail w/colonial house and lrg chestnut barn for **\$550,000**, or owner may consider sale of acreage separately. **Peg Lis, 569-3083.**

This 1 1/2 acre lot on a quiet paved road has cleared house site. Great location for a log home! **\$68,000. Bob Molta, 569-5366.**

CHESTER

Hermits and hunters will love this remote retreat. 11 mostly wooded acres surround 4 rm updated year-rd cottage. Nice brook borders property. 600' frontage allows subdivision. **\$115,900. Peg Lis, 569-3083.**

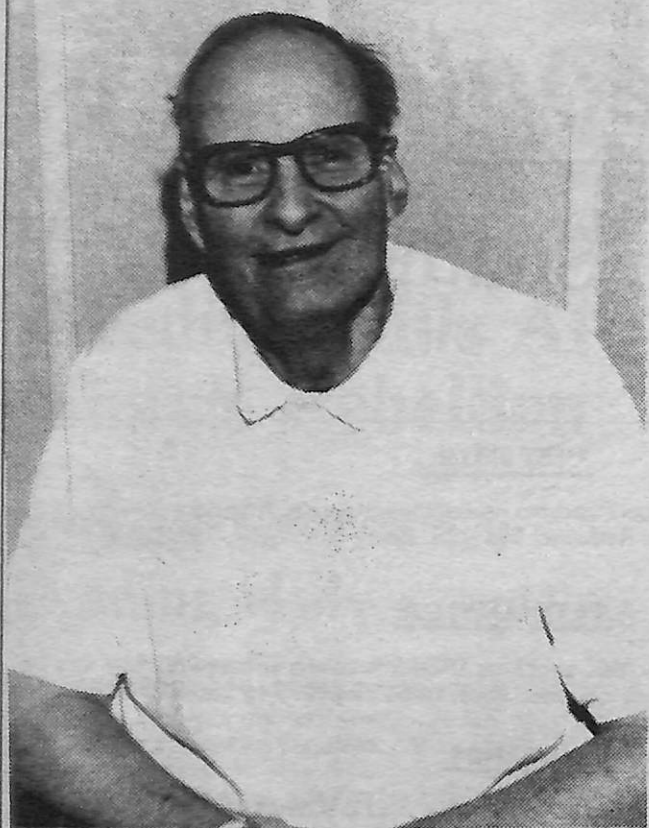
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Heritage Hall's Weekly Activities & Events



RESIDENT OF THE WEEK
Robert Lamothe

Resident of the week at Heritage Hall is Robert Lamothe of the East Building. Robert was born on October 10th, 1919 in Indian Orchard, where he lived until moving to Springfield in 1940. After attending Trade School, Robert served in the U.S. Navy during World War II and was stationed on the U.S.S. Velocity AM128.

After being discharged from the service, Bob became a tool and die maker working at Chapman Valve for 15 years. He then moved to Monson and continued working at the same occupation for another 20 years, being employed at Zero Corporation, retiring in 1985.

Bob married in 1959. His wife passed away in 1987. Bob has a son residing in Brimfield, a daughter in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, and two granddaughters.

Bob played professional baseball for two years with the Cleveland Indians in North Carolina. He also enjoyed playing golf and basketball.

In October, Bob traveled 1,200 miles to Arkansas and attended a three-day reunion with his former shipmates from the USS Velocity.

At Heritage Hall East, Bob always brightens up the day with a smile and a song, as well as being a valuable drummer in our kitchen band.

Memories

Forbes and Wallace, Court Square, Old Toll Bridge, Old Pulls, Stillmans.

These were some of the special places we visited via postcards and the exciting discussion of Barbara Schaffer on November 2nd, in Heritage Hall East. A brief presentation of our local history and its major places the way they used to be instigated our residents telling us of places and the events in their lives, as well as memories they had.

Barbara was so enthused with the residents' comments and historical input she has a desire to come again and learn more from them as to what used to be. She came to teach us our history and she left wanting them to teach her more of their history.

Oh, the books these minds could fill of memories past that are with us still.

Music Of The Bells

Agawam Baptist Church Bell Ringers again presented a most enjoyable program.

Conducted by Mary Ferrari and Everett Hodge, eight ringers manned the 32 bells. The bells are arranged on tables and the ringers rotate from position to position in organized confusion! But the sound is beautiful!

We heard love songs, "I Love You Truly," and "Somewhere My Love."

Also there was a salute to famous entertainers, Gracey Field's, "Now Is The Hour," Arlow Guthrie's, "This Is Your Land, This Is My Land," and Kate Smith's, "God Bless America."

Hymns are "always" a favorite, included were "The Old Rugged Cross," "In The Garden," and "Whispering Hope."

We were treated to a preview of their Christmas selections; "Toyland," one of what promises to be a beautiful program.

"Tiny Tim" Campaign At Shriners' Hospital

It seems like only yesterday, but it was December of 1979 when the many thousands of good people of Western Massachusetts began what is now one of its best local traditions, sending a holiday greeting card to the youngsters at Shriners' Hospital addressed to the generic name of Tiny Tim.

The idea was conceived by Channel 40 weatherman Paul Sutton when he began asking viewers that year to add another name to their holiday greeting card list, Tiny Tim, and send it along to the hospital at 516 Carew Street, Springfield, to help brighten the holiday season, for those boys and girls unable to go home for Christmas or Hanukkah.

The results were instantaneous. Over 10,000 cards were sent to the hospital from all over Western Massachusetts and nearby Connecticut that year. In more recent times, the hospital has received an average of 20,000 cards during the holiday season.

The simplicity of it all really brings home the message of the true meaning of Christmas and Hanukkah, a good feeling of giving to make the world just a little bit brighter.

If you'd like to share the glow, just send a holiday card between now and December 25th to: Tiny Tim, Shriners' Hospital, 516 Carew Street, Springfield, MA, 01104. All cards will be divided among all the boys and girls who'll be staying at the hospital during the holiday season.

5th Annual Sing-A-Long November 24th Downtown

Once again, you can help get the Tiny Tim holiday greeting card campaign off to a great start by coming to Springfield's Court Square, the night after Thanksgiving at 5:30 p.m., November 24th, by joining Paul Sutton along with the Shriners' Melba Temple Band in a traditional holiday sing-a-long of familiar songs and carols, followed by the Court Square tree lighting ceremony and a visit from Santa. Bring a strong voice and a card for Tiny Tim, which will be delivered to Shriners' Hospital right after the ceremony.

Holiday Homes Tour Slated In Springfield

Step into the holiday season with the YWCA of Western Massachusetts, during its 12th Annual Holiday Home Tour, scheduled for Saturday, December 9th, from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The tour will feature elegant homes in Longmeadow, Springfield, and East Longmeadow. Tickets are \$8 in advance, \$10 on the day of the tour, if available.

This tour will feature a diverse array of homes decorated for the holiday season, including: A colonial on Williamsburg Drive in Longmeadow, an updated ranch on Savoy Avenue in East Longmeadow, and a revived colonial on Longhill Street in Springfield.

Tour-goers drive themselves to each home, and leisurely tour one or all of the homes. A grand holiday celebration will take place throughout the tour at the First Church of Christ on the green in Longmeadow, where tour-goers can stop in for a complimentary hot cup of traditional Wasail, and baked treats.

For ticket information, please call the YWCA of Western Massachusetts, 732-3121.

One-Day Retreats Scheduled At Genesis Center

The Genesis Spiritual Life Center has announced two upcoming one-day retreats.

Armand & Jeanne Proulx will conduct a "Retreat for Married Couples" on December 3rd from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. The retreat will consider communication and conflict in married relationships. An atmosphere of prayer, quiet, and reflection will be provided. Cost for this retreat is \$25 per couple.

A "Retreat for Women during Advent" will take

place on December 6th from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Srs. M. Catherine Coyne, SSJ, and Carla Oleska, SSJ, will lead the retreat, which will include presentations, quiet reflection and group sharing, if desired by those participating. The \$15 fee includes lunch.

The nonprofit Genesis Center, which welcomes people of all faiths, is owned and operated by the Sisters of Providence and is a member of Providence Systems. To register for either retreat, or for more information, call 562-3627.

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St. John's Xmas Bazaar Coming December 2nd

The Annual Christmas Bazaar of St. John the Evangelist Church is almost here. On Saturday, December 2nd, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., the public can enjoy an array of lovely gifts and yuletide decorations. The bazaar is held in the Parish Center in the rear of the church on Main Street, Agawam.

An abundance of new and used toys, new and used jewelry, and almost-like-new attic treasures will be featured, as well as home-baked foods, candy, and beautiful poinsettias at the plant booth.

Some committees have worked all year on knitted and hand-sewn articles, while others have worked on hand-crafted and Christmas decorations for this eagerly awaited holiday event. Children will have their purchases gift-wrapped without charge at a special booth. Santa will be at the bazaar from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. to greet all the children.

A wide selection of books will be offered in the Book-Nook in the rear hall of the center leading to the snack bar where hot coffee, soda, sandwiches, and goodies are on sale.

There will be mini-raffles of appropriate items at each booth, and tickets for the major raffle can be purchased the day of the bazaar. All drawings will be held at 2:30 p.m.

The Catholic Women's Club is assisted at the Bazaar by St. John's Guild. The Guild booth will have many hand-crafted seasonal items.

Come one and all and enjoy a memorable day. Remember Santa will be there for the young and young at heart.

Bazaar Chairwomen Ruth Zucco, Elaine Smith, and Marge LaFrancis will be on hand to assist all those visiting the Bazaar.

Thelma Coughlin Feted By Baystate Medical

One hundred thirty-five Baystate Medical Center employees, including Thelma Coughlin of Agawam, were honored for a total of 1,865 years of service at a Semi-Annual Employee Recognition Award Ceremony luncheon Friday, November 17th, at the Sheraton Inn, West Springfield.

Topping the list is Mary Lyden of Northampton, who joined Baystate 35 years ago as an x-ray technician. Since then she has held positions as assistant chief technician and chief technician, and now serves as Patient Care coordinator.

Thirty-year honorees include Miss Coughlin, Thomas Denson of Springfield, Carrie Fowlkes of Springfield, and Joyce O'Connell of Westfield.

An instructor in the Nursing Professional Development Department, Miss Coughlin began her career with Baystate as a staff nurse. She later served as an assistant head nurse and was an instructor in the Department of Education and Training for 17 years.

Denson works in the Medical Center's Laundry, the department he first joined 30 years ago. He is currently an assistant supervisor.

Mrs. Fowlkes was hired in 1958 as a part-time staff nurse. During her 30 years, she has held positions as assistant head nurse, head nurse, and unit supervisor. She joined Baystate's Brightwood/Riverview Health Center on Division Street as a staff nurse in 1980.

Mrs. O'Connell has been a staff nurse in the Post Anesthesia Care Unit since she came to BMC in 1959. An additional 130 employees will be honored for 10, 15, 20, and 25 years of service.

Agawam Senior Center Lunch Menu

Monday, November 27th: Ham omelette, hash browned potatoes, wax beans, Canadian oat bread, fresh fruit.

Tuesday, November 28th: Baked chicken, mashed sweet potato, cauliflower, pumpernickel bread, pears.

Wednesday, November 29th: Cheeseburger pie, whipped potatoes with gravy, corn, whole wheat bread, pumpkin muffin.

Thursday, November 30th: Turkey a la king, fluffy white rice, baby Belgium carrots, rye bread, pineapple tidbits.

Friday, December 1st: Clam chowder, tuna salad sandwich, calico cole slaw, chocolate pudding.

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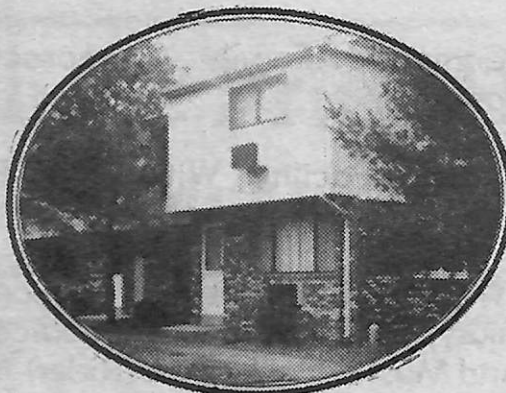
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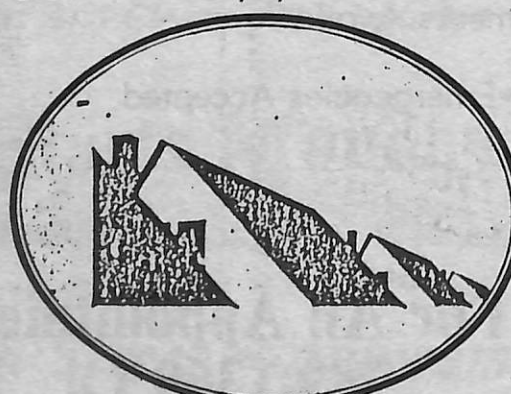
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For Your Health

Holidays No Time To Neglect Your Kids

This is peak travel time across the nation. The Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children (MSPCC) reminds parents who are travelling with children to be aware of potential risks. The higher the "stress quotient" on both children and adults, the more likelihood of accidents, loss and emotional pressure. The MSPCC reminds travellers:

- Arrange a "buddy system" in crowded terminals. One family member is to be responsible for another. With children under age 10, holding the child's hand firmly in crowds alleviates anxiety and separation.

- Never leave children unattended in a car even for a few moments.

- Carry small toys, drinks, snacks, cloth and paper-back books to distract and entertain youngsters. Young people have short attention spans. When the whining and wriggles increase, adult patience decreases.

- Be aware of the location of restrooms. Tired travellers require more stops than stay-at-homes. Have extra bottles and diapers in case of bus or airport delays.

- Do not permit a child under age 10 to move about unsupervised during the journey. Crowded public places are potential spots for child abduction.

- Breaks in family schedules can be disorienting. Try to adhere to regular meal and bedtimes as much as possible.

- Whether the family is visiting or hosting during the holidays, too much food, stimulation, being held or "party manners" can be a strain for young and old.

For a happy holiday season, keep all loved ones safe.

Mended Hearts To Meet December 6th in Springfield

The Mended Hearts, Inc. Chapter 37 of Greater Springfield will hold their monthly meeting on Wednesday, December 6th, at 7:30 p.m., at the Elks Lodge No. 61, 440 Tiffany Street, Springfield.

Anyone who is anticipating cardiac surgery or undergone cardiac surgery is welcome to attend this support group's meeting with family or friends. There is no charge. Refreshments will be served.

Special event for the evening will be the Annual Holiday Party.

Challenges Posed By Amblyopia

by Dr. Richard W. Gallerani
Optometrist, Crossroad Shoppes
20 Southwick Street, Feeding Hills

One of the most intriguing and challenging patients is the one who presents complaining of decreased vision due to inorganic or hysterical amblyopia. This is a patient where, although the eyes are healthy and little or no prescription exists, the patient cannot read 20/20. These patients are often seen following school screenings.

This is a challenging patient because much testing must be done to rule out the many dangerous conditions such as tumor, nerve disease or inflammation, or retinal disease which can lead to reduced vision. The final diagnosis of hysterical amblyopia is called a diagnosis of exclusion since everything else has been eliminated.

Consider what the eye doctor must do to make the diagnosis and rule out any disease causing the decreased vision. The visual acuity must be checked and will be found to be reduced. The prescription must be evaluated to determine if the vision can be corrected. Since there is often no prescription special drops to double check for any hidden prescription (called a cycloplegic refraction) may be done, again resulting in a negative finding. The pupils and muscle tracking must be evaluated to detect any asymmetry or

weakness which would suggest a neurologic problem such as a tumor. This will be normal. The health of the front and back of the eye must be evaluated. Drops to dilate the pupils to enable a more thorough evaluation of the retinas may also have to be utilized. This testing will also be found to be normal.

It is important to understand that these patients are not malingering or "faking it." Their emotions and emotional state genuinely reduces their vision. Their vision cannot be restored to "normal" levels with conventional glasses or contact lenses. In many circumstances the only helpful diagnostic test is a visual field or perimetry which evaluates the peripheral vision. These patients cannot detect the target or light until it is immediately in front of their eye. This tunnel vision phenomenon has been termed a "gun-barrel" field and is often specific for this type of patient.

The proper treatment for these patients is counseling to determine the cause or causes of their emotional stress and to alleviate it. Young females are the most frequent patients with this phenomenon. In these times of more frequent divorce, remarriage and "mixed" families, and, unfortunately, child abuse, hysterical amblyopia is seen with some frequency in the eye doctor's office.

American Heart Association Suggests Memorial Gift On Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 23rd, will see millions of American families coming together for that very special family celebration.

The American Heart Association suggests a memorial gift in the name of family members absent from this traditional American day of gathering.

A contribution in the name of a friend or relative at Thanksgiving time to your local American Heart Association office will go to the continuing fight against heart attack or stroke, the leading cause of death in the United States.

Your local Heart Association office is active throughout the year in programs of community service directed toward school age children, the general adult population and medical and paramedical professionals.

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PHILM REVIEW

by Phil Benoit
Entertainment Editor

—The Bear: 3 STARS

Based on the 1916 novel *The Grizzly King* by James Oliver Curwood and set in mountainous British Columbia a century ago, this simultaneously charming and enthralling film deals with the sometimes humorous, sometimes perilous adventures of an orphaned bear cub who is eventually adopted, so to speak, by an adult Kodiak bear who is being pursued by a pair of determined hunters (Jack Wallace and Tcheky Karyo).

My only complaint about *The Bear* is that its soundtrack features an overabundance of all-too-human-sounding whimpers in an effort to make the bear cub even more adorable than he already is. In and of himself, this furry little fella is an extremely cute creature to look at; consequently, the obviously dubbed-in cries and whines which accompany him not only ultimately become quite distracting to listen to, but they also impart the picture with a needlessly and tritely sappy quality.

Nonetheless, despite this shortcoming, *The Bear*, on the whole, succeeds as very worthwhile, family-oriented viewing. Well-directed by Jean-Jacques Annaud (*Quest For Fire*), this movie boasts breathtaking and engrossing cinematography and skillfully executed animal-interaction sequences which capture the unblemished beauty of nature at its most unbridled, as well as the oftentimes brutal and deadly day-to-day existence of wild beasts.

What's more, the film conveys an anti-hunting theme in a visually eloquent yet unpatronizing manner, thereby rendering *The Bear* as the kind of nature- and animal-loving story that is able to effectively communicate its message without cramming such message down our throats.

—Communion: 2½ STARS

Adapted from the best-selling book of the same title by Whitley Strieber, this faulty but generally fascinating thriller focuses on the "true" story of a popular novelist (Christopher Walken) who undergoes a number of paranormal experiences and eventually comes to the conclusion that he has been visited by extraterrestrial beings.

For those of you who are not aware of this, the book *Communion* is, according to Strieber, an autobiographical account of his first-hand encounter with aliens from outer space. To be sure, this work has earned its author a reputation for undeniable eccentricity and sounds like the sort of hokum that you'd expect to find on the front page of *The National Enquirer*.

As for myself, however, I have not read *Communion* and don't have a specific opinion regarding Strieber's unearthly claim; yet, by the same token, I must say that the silver-screen version of this tale does come off as a decent source of entertainment.

While it is hampered by some choppy editing, several confusing elements in the storyline, and a few cheesy special effects, this picture possesses an intensely creepy level of suspense that is apt to keep you on the edge of your seat from start to finish. Reminiscent of the type of chiller that you can see on the classic television series *The Twilight Zone*, *Communion* is comprised of drama that is both supernatural and psychological in nature, and the genuine scares that it does provide—combined with Walken's (*A View to a Kill*) splendidly eerie performance as Strieber himself—manage to raise the film's B-movie subject matter to a slightly higher level of quality.

True, *Communion* is far from being worthy of any Academy Awards, but at the same time, it is more worthy of your time and money than a pair of horror-oriented flicks that I'll be discussing later on in this week's PHILM REVIEW.

—Crimes and Misdemeanors: 3½ STARS

In *Crimes and Misdemeanors*, the latest endeavor from Woody Allen, we are introduced to two distinctly different romantic relationships via a pair of subplots that are totally divergent in tone:

1) On a wryly humorous note, an unhappily-married documentary filmmaker (Allen) rapidly falls in love with an unmarried and lonely movie producer (Mia Farrow) while the two of them are working on a project that's considerably beneath their respective talents;

2) And, in a drastically serious-minded vein, a long-married eye doctor (Martin Landau) finds himself faced with some potentially life-shattering trouble when his mentally unstable mistress (Angelica Huston) threatens to reveal their adulterous affair to his loyal and loving wife (Claire Bloom).

Crimes and Misdemeanors is arguably the most ambitious picture that Allen has ever made, in addition to being, without question, his most thought-provoking work since his not-too-well-received *Stardust Memories* from 1980. By turns uproariously funny and painstakingly somber, this movie examines such topics as the role of fate versus free will in the course of a person's life, and dilemmas of the conscience in regard to sin, self-preservation, punishment, and redemption.

Knee-deep—or, rather, neck-deep—in symbolism and themes which are too complex too discourse upon within the limits of this review, *Crimes and Misdemeanors* does suffer a bit from a mildly clashing effect which arises from its blend of lighthearted humor and deeply serious drama. But, courtesy of Allen's inventive script and first-rate portrayals by (among others) Allen himself, Farrow (*New York Stories*), Landau (*Tucker: The Man and His Dream*), and Alan Alda (*A New Life*) in the very droll part of a pompous and egotistical television mogul, this film faithfully supplies us with a plethora of food-for-thought, and makes for the kind of intellectually-engaging motion picture that you're bound to ponder over and talk about for quite a while.

—Dad: 4 STARS

In this outstanding, heartwarming movie, a divorced Wall Street executive (Ted Danson) is forced to return to his hometown in California in order to take care of his frail and aged father (Jack Lemmon) during his mother's (Olympia Dukakis) recuperation following a mild attack. Meanwhile, in the process of getting reacquainted with his "old man" after being out of touch for a couple of years, the East coast businessman learns new things about both himself and his dad which enable him to enjoy the sort of tender relationship with his father that he had never had before.

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At this point in time, I must say that I consider *Dad* to be the single best film of 1989. Based on the novel by William Wharton and superbly written and directed by first-time moviemaker Gary David Goldberg (the creator of the long-running television series *Family Ties*), this picture concentrates on such easy-to-identify-with subjects as growing old, feelings of fear and apprehension toward death, and commitments and understandings between parents and their children.

At times hilarious, at times emotionally wrenching, *Dad* eschews superficial sentimentality and, instead, projects earnest poignancy in every scene, and this poignancy results in profoundly moving cinematic moments that you will wholly remember long after you leave the theater.

As for the performances, Zakes Mokae (*Gross Anatomy*) is quite engaging in the supporting role of a kindhearted and caring medical doctor, as is Ethan Hawke (*Dead Poets Society*) as Danson's long-estranged, teenaged son. In the meantime, Dukakis (*Moonstruck*) delivers a top-notch depiction of a domineering woman who displays a quick-tempered and amusing crustiness that is offset by a deep-down affection for those people around her.

In his most impressive and meatiest silver-screen role to date, Danson (TV's *Cheers*) credibly projects the temperament of a basically well-meaning yet workaholic businessman who—by way of his redefined relationship with his father—gains emotionally maturity and comes to realize that his dogged pursuit of professional success has unwittingly curbed some of the potential happiness in his personal life.

Lemmon (*That's Life!*), in the title part, gives what is probably the finest performance of his long and distinguished career. With the help of startlingly realistic makeup, in tandem with believably feeble vocal inflections and physical mannerisms, this 64-year-old actor brings his 78-year-old character to life with resonant conviction; moreover, he proficiently exhibits the quietly dignified and unassuming personality of an elderly man who is replete with more life-affirming wisdom than anyone had previously given him credit for.

Lemmon's performance in *Dad* is the kind of unforgettable work which Oscars are made of, and I sincerely believe that he stands a very good and most deserved chance of getting the Best Actor prize at next spring's Academy Awards ceremony.

—The Phantom of the Opera: 2 STARS

In this latest remake of Gaston Leroux's classic tale, the story begins in present-day New York where an aspiring opera singer suffers a near fatal accident at an audition and is then magically transported back in time to Victorian England and becomes the love interest of the "Phantom," a facially disfigured composer who'll do anything—even commit murder—in order to ensure the success of this young lady's burgeoning career as a diva.

The title part of this film is portrayed by Robert Englund, a 40ish, solid character actor who's best known for his depiction of the villainous Freddy Krueger of the horrific *Nightmare on Elm Street* flicks. As he has done in the past with good old Freddy, Englund infuses his latest role with a demeanor of captivatingly bloodthirsty cunning and a fatally wry sense of humor.

Unfortunately, he is the only honest-to-goodness thing that's wholly commendable in this film. While this newest incarnation of *The Phantom of the Opera*

(which, by the way, has nothing to do with the blockbuster musical of the same name) does feature sets and costumes which successfully evoke the look and feel of the Victorian era, these atmospheric elements are woefully upstaged by an array of disgusting, special effects-laden scenes in which the Phantom continually performs temporary touch-ups on his destroyed and ever-decaying face by using pieces of flesh from his victims' corpses.

Although this technical goriness will appeal to fans of the *Elm Street* series, it will definitely turn off moviegoers who enjoy thrillers of a more old-fashioned and far less graphically violent nature (such as, for instance, the original version of *The Phantom of the Opera* with Lon Chaney). Conversely, the *Elm Street* patrons won't be particularly impressed with this picture's noble attempts to accurately recreate the time period in which its plot is set.

Thus, this film is but a mediocre endeavor which tries to appeal to two kinds of audiences at the same time, yet ultimately falls short in its efforts to truly satisfy and entertain either of them.

—Shocker: 1 STAR

While I'm still on the topic of the *Nightmare on Elm Street* movies, Wes Craven—the man who helmed the original *Elm Street* saga back in 1985—is presently attempting to cash in on Freddy Krueger's box-office popularity with *Shocker*, a new chiller in which a mass murderer by the name of Horace Pinker (Mitch Pileggi) is put to death by the electric chair and then comes back to life in the form of—believe it or not—a thinking charge of electricity which can take over the minds and bodies of anyone with which it comes into contact.

A rip-off of a little-seen but decent thriller from last spring titled *The Horror Show*, *Shocker* has its share of frightening moments (thanks to the bald-headed and big-framed presence of the menacing Pileggi), not to mention a level of sly, tongue-in-cheek humor which pokes fun at such things as television newscasting and evangelists who ply their profession via the "boob tube."

Yet on the whole, this movie is an unimaginative mess that clones the murderous antics of Freddy Krueger; therefore, if you've seen any of the not-particularly-impressive *Elm Street* flicks, then you've already seen what this newly-released refuse has to offer.

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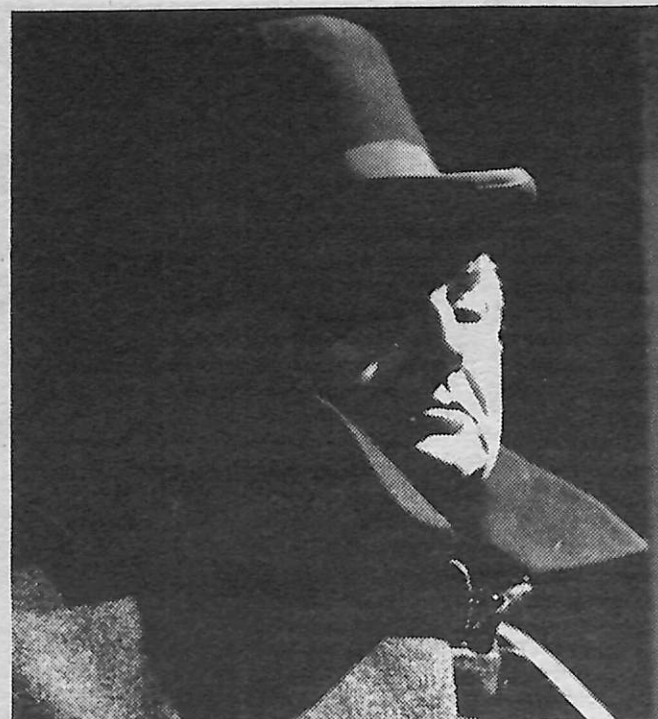
—The Bear: Though this PG-rated film contains graphic, nature-oriented violence and bloodshed, it is still suitable for all ages.

—Communion: Rated R for the intensity of its scary scenes, adult language, and brief nudity.

—Crimes and Misdemeanors: Rated PG-13 for mature themes, situations, and humor.

—Dad: Rated PG for some mildly mature comedy and themes.

—The Phantom of the Opera and Shocker: Both of these thrillers are rated R for their relentlessly graphic scenes of violence and gore.



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This marks the second year that StageWest has produced *A Christmas Carol*. John Tyson, who is co-directing this year's version with StageWest Artistic Director Eric Hill, took his new adaptation directly from the Dickens novel, and has added original scenes and new characters to the classic tale. Playing the key role of Ebenezer Scrooge will be A.D. Cover.

This year's production is sponsored by Milton Bradley, in cooperation with Digital Equipment Corporation and the Bank of Boston, and is funded in part by the Massachusetts Council on the Arts and Humanities, a state agency.

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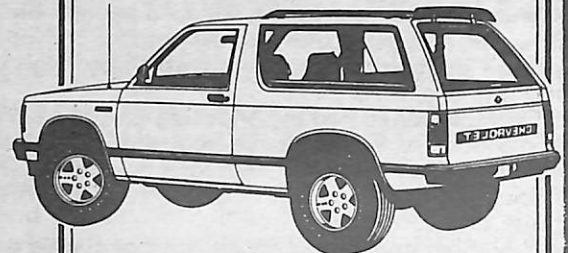
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- 1 (4-ounce) can chopped green chilies, undrained
- ½ cup chopped red bell pepper
- 1/8 teaspoon pepper

Preheat oven to 350°. In medium saucepan, combine water, rice and bouillon; bring to a boil. Reduce heat; cover and simmer 15 minutes or until rice is tender. In large bowl, combine all ingredients except ½ cup Colby cheese; mix well. Turn into buttered 1½-quart baking dish. Bake 20 to 25 minutes. Top with remaining cheese; bake 3 minutes longer or until cheese melts. Let stand 5 minutes. Garnish as desired. Refrigerate leftovers.

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Autumn Prune-Apple Bars

- ¾ cup sugar
- ¾ cup vegetable oil
- 2 eggs
- 1½ cups rolled oats
- ¾ cup all-purpose flour
- ½ cup whole wheat flour
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- ½ teaspoon each salt and cinnamon
- ¼ teaspoon cloves
- 1½ cups coarsely chopped pitted prunes
- ¾ cup coarsely shredded, unpeeled apple
- 1 cup chopped walnuts
- Powdered sugar

In large mixer bowl beat sugar and oil. Add eggs; beat 3 minutes. In another bowl combine oats, flours, soda, salt, cinnamon, and cloves. Add dry ingredients to oil mixture. Beat to blend thoroughly. Fold in prunes, apple and walnuts to blend thoroughly. Spread evenly in generously greased 9-x 13-inch baking pan. Bake in 350° oven 20 to 30 minutes until springy to the touch and pick inserted into center comes out clean. Cool on rack. Cut into bars. Dust with powdered sugar. Makes 24 bars (about 1½ x 3 inches).

NOTE: Bars freeze very well, individually wrapped in plastic or foil.

The hours after school can be even more enjoyable when you serve satisfying nutritious snacks. With these recipes you can combine healthy and delicious ingredients like peanut butter, oats, fresh fruit and crunchy, colorful "M&M's" Chocolate Candies for easy-to-make, fun-to-eat goodies.

The After-School Friends with their edible "faces" will occupy imaginations as well as appetites. You can use your favorite sugar cookie mix to make a Tic-Tac-Toe Monster Cookie that's sure to please. Peanut Butter Oak Cookie Supreme and a glass of milk can even help make homework bearable.

After-School Friends

- 2 medium red apples
- 4 wooden sticks (tongue-depressor type)
- 2 ripe bananas
- Smooth peanut butter
- 1 package (16-oz. size) "M&M's" Plain Chocolate Candies
- Assorted Ribbon
- Cereal of choice for decoration

Cut apples crosswise in half and place cut side down on plate. Insert wooden stick into center of rounded side of apple. Peel bananas; cut crosswise in half. Push a banana half down onto wooden stick. Spread banana with peanut butter. Make faces on banana with assorted "M&M's" Plain Chocolate Candies, using your imagination to form expressions. Garnish top of head with cereal of choice. Tie a ribbon around the stick to form a bow. Decorate apple with peanut butter and Plain Chocolate Candies, as desired. Makes 4 "friends."

Tic-Tac-Toe Monster Cookie

- 1 box (15-oz. size) sugar cookie mix
- 1 large egg
- 1 package (16-oz. size) "M&M's" Plain Chocolate Candies
- 1 tube (4¼-oz. size) red decorating icing.

Prepare sugar cookie mix as package label directs, pressing evenly into a 9-inch baking pan lined with aluminum foil. Bake as package label directs for bar cookies. Grasping foil, gently lift cookie from pan. Place on wire rack. With large knife, score cookie lengthwise and crosswise into thirds. With small knife, mark X's and O's in squares. Allow cookie to cool completely. Screw a writing tip onto decorating tube. Use to outline perimeter of cookie, on the lengthwise and crosswise lines, and the X's and O's. Place red "M&M's" Chocolate Candies on perimeter of cookie, tan and brown on lines, and orange and green on X's and O's. To serve, cut cookie along scored lines. Makes 9 servings.

Peanut Butter Oat Cookie Supreme

- 3 large eggs at room temperature
- 1 cup brown sugar
- 1 cup white sugar
- 1 tablespoon vanilla extract
- 2 tablespoons light corn syrup
- 1 stick polyunsaturated margarine—corn or sunflower (butter may be substituted if desired, softened)
- 1½ cups chunky peanut butter
- 2 teaspoons baking soda
- 4½ cups quick-cooking oatmeal (1-minute type)
- 1½ cups (12-oz. package) "M&M's" Plain Chocolate Candies
- 1½ cups (12-oz. package) "M&M's" Peanut Chocolate Candies

Preheat oven to 325°F. Line several large baking sheets with aluminum foil, grease slightly.

In large mixing bowl, cream together eggs, sugars, vanilla, corn syrup, margarine and peanut butter until light and fluffy. (Beat 1 minute on high speed with electric mixer, or 300 strokes by hand).

Stir in baking soda and oatmeal, blending well. Add "M&M's" Chocolate Candies, incorporating into dough with hand, if necessary.

Drop dough by tablespoonful, 2 inches apart, onto prepared baking sheets; bake 12 minutes, or until very lightly browned. Cool baking sheets on rack 5 minutes, or until set. With spatula, carefully remove cookies to rack to cool completely. (Cookies will be very soft when first removed from oven, but will become firm on standing.) Store cookies in covered container in layers separated by waxed paper. Makes about 6 dozen cookies.

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Admission—\$5 for adults, free for children under 12 when accompanied by an adult—includes all activities and exhibits unless otherwise noted. Winter Wonderland will run 12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m., Friday through Sunday, December 1st through 3rd, and Wednesday through Sunday, December 6th through 10th.

The Springfield Library & Museums Association is an independent non-profit institution which includes the Springfield Science Museum, the George Walter Vincent Smith Art Museum, the Springfield City Library System, the Connecticut Valley Historical Museum, and the Museum of Fine Arts. Free parking is available at the Association's lots on State and Edwards streets.

Agawam Kids Welcome To Irish Folk Show

Traditional Irish folk songs will be performed by The Healy's on Sunday, December 3rd, at 2:00 p.m., at the Children's Museum. This, the final concert in the Museum's Valley Classics series, will feature Don and Sheila Healy who accompany themselves on guitar, tin whistle and bodhran (drum). The performance is free with admission to the Museum.

Don and Sheila, residents of Chicopee, has been singing together for the past 15 years. They perform regularly at the John Boyle O'Reilly Club in Springfield, at Heritage Park in Holyoke, and on the Northfield Recreation Center's Riverboat Sunset cruises. Don and

Sheila, parents of three and soon to be four children, grew up in homes where the singing and playing of traditional Irish music was an integral part of life. The Healy's own children maintain the tradition by doing Irish dancing.

The Children's Museum is located at 444 Dwight Street adjacent to Holyoke Heritage State Park. Admission to the Museum is \$2.50 per person. Children under two and members are free. For visits to the Museum and attendance at the Healy's concert, all children must be accompanied by an adult. For more information, please call 536-KIDS.

Westfield Theatre Group Slates Auditions

Auditions for the Westfield Theater Group's spring 1990 production of Meredith Willson's *"The Music Man"* will be held November 27th and 28th, from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m., at the Woman's Club Theater, 28 Court Street, Westfield.

Parts are available for males and females from ages 10-60. Each night, the 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. hour will be reserved for school-age auditions; adults may try-out

from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m. Actors should be ready to sing and may bring a prepared song. Barbershop quartets are invited to audition as a group. A limited number of non-singing roles are also available.

The production dates will be March 23rd, 24th, 30th, 31st, and April 6th and 7th. The artistic director is Flo Healy. Musical director is Pamela Weeks. For additional information, call 568-8149 or 786-6427.

Agawam Repertory Theatre To Hold Auditions For Production

The Agawam Repertory Theatre will hold auditions for its spring production of Bernard Slade's *"Romantic Comedy"* on Tuesday, December 5th, and Wednesday, December 6th, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., at the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street.

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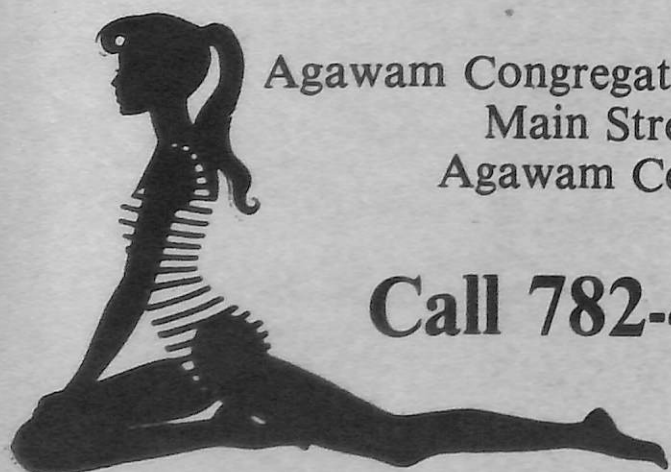
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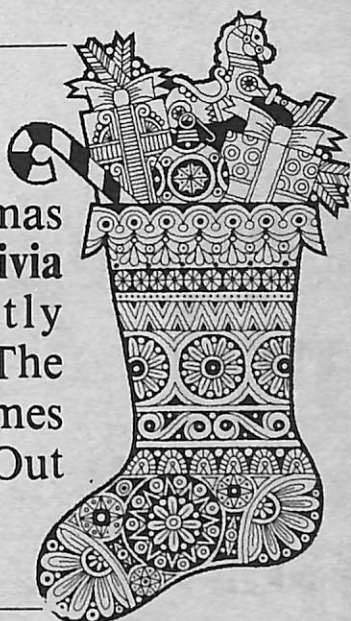
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Editorial...

Drugs & Alcohol Problems Affect Entire Community

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

Agawam's alcohol and drug problems with teens have prompted encouragement for a parent or community council formation. A PTSO meeting of police officers, parents, teachers, and students last Thursday evening indicated concern focused on the easy availability of alcohol to minors and supply sources not being held responsible or liable.

In Police Officer Wayne Macey's "Agawam Crime Prevention" column last week, he related specific incidents at one party where four parents' first question to police was "Who gave the stuff to my kid?"

Macey admits this is a matter of concern, but contended that parents should have asked, "Why does my child feel he or she has to take drugs?" instead.

After years of involvement in drug and alcohol awareness programs and much research on the problems, both questions have merit.

The policemen's role is that of law enforcement, and it is **against the law** to sell, procure, or deliver alcohol or drugs to minors. Police argue that as long as there is a demand, there will always be a supply; and we must work to change the **attitudes** of youth to a feeling that they can live very happily without chemical dependency.

Yet, we live in a society where that dependency flourishes and has for centuries. It is only gradually changing through awareness and education.

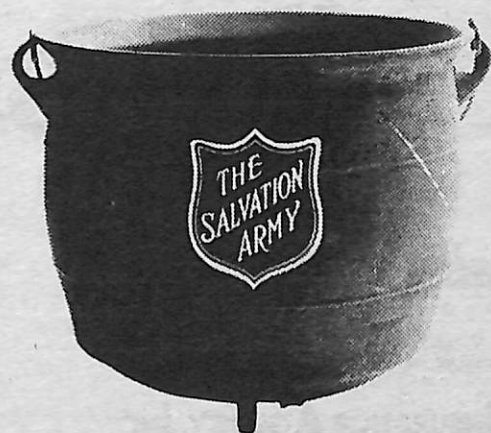
In the meantime, we cannot turn our backs on the teen of today by concentrating **all** our effort on the "future teens of the next decade." We must do everything we can to help today's teen also; and one way is to make alcohol and drugs less readily available, and the opportunities for experimentation without consequence less abundant.

In reexamining why teens drink or do drugs, the harm factor or health deterrent seems to take a back seat to media enticements, society's attitude, peer pressure, and the appeal of abandonment, independency, and even outright defiance.

Even the underlying meaning of the phrase "Coming of Age" in our society means "I'll be able to drink legally" (to many). The physical progression of aging to the 21st birthday means the person will then be considered an adult **fully responsible** for their own actions. Until then, the role of parent is **guidance**.

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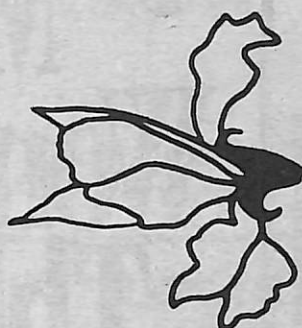
"Commended Students" At Agawam High



AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS James Broadhurst (left) and Eric Rose were recently named "Commended Students" in the 1990 National Merit Scholarship Program. Principal John Morrissey presented the two students with "Letters of Commendation" last week. About 35,000 students nationwide are honored for their outstanding performance on the 1988 PSAT/NMSQT. Advertiser News

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Parent Group Vs. Drugs May Form

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

The earlier tornado watch seemed inconsequential as Agawam Police Officers Richard Niles and William Sliech met with a gathering storm of concerned parents and teachers in the high school cafeteria last Thursday evening.

The discussion focused on teenage drinking and drug abuse, parental liability, and input from all sides to help find more effective solutions to these problems. Organized by the AHS PTSO, students were also in attendance.

Niles told the group, "We are fighting a drug war right now. It is taking an enormous toll on our society, and we are not winning. We are not even tying."

He talked about the "gateway drugs of tobacco, alcohol, and marijuana" and said, "If the parents' attitude is 'it's O.K. to do this,' then your child is going to pick up on it."

Beyond the model role, Niles informed parents of their liability factors. He said, "It is against the law in Massachusetts to procure, sell, or deliver alcohol to a minor."

In a discussion following Niles' presentation of many more informative facts, several parents related this particular law to police procedures in Agawam when called to house parties.

"Someone should be held accountable. If it's illegal to give these kids alcohol, isn't it the policemen's job to determine the source and hold that party responsible?" asked one mother. "Couldn't the police at least question the minor 'host' to begin an investigation into tracking down the supply source?" she asked.

Normally one or two cruisers (two to four men) are dispatched on a call for house parties. Sliech said, "It is very difficult when we are dealing with 50 to 100 kids. We usually try to detain anyone who is staggering (visibly intoxicated) and bring them in to the station. Many of the kids scatter when we arrive. We make sure the party is dispersed."

Parents were told they could be held civilly liable for any injuries sustained on their property, whether the party was with or without their consent or knowledge. Niles said, "If someone gets hurt in a car accident after leaving the party, and the cause is drug or alcohol related, the same parents may possibly be held criminally liable as well."

One parent encouraged the police to notify parents with a follow-up phone call when an incident had occurred on their premises. She said, "While I was out of town, my teen had a party at my home with over 100 kids. Four cruisers were sent to my house, but the only

way I found out about all this was because my son told me."

Sliech agreed this was certainly worth looking into and made note of such.

Niles said that a minor operating a vehicle while under the influence could be arrested without a warrant and could result in loss of license for three months.

He also talked about three new laws effective September 5th, 1989: **loss of license for six months to one year for the use of a fake I.D. to purchase alcohol, with possible fines and a jail sentence imposed by the courts; up to five years loss of license for any drug conviction, including possession; and a mandatory two-year jail sentence (plus a fine up to \$10,000) for dealing drugs within 1,000 feet of school property in Massachusetts.**

Niles said that state signs posting this distance from each school in Agawam were being purchased through D.A.R.E. funds. He also talked about a new drug called "Ice," which came in a crystal form.

"Ice can be smoked, cooled, and it recrystallizes so it can be smoked again," said Niles. He also discussed many facts, warning signs, and risk factors of teens with alcohol and drug problems.

He said, "The schools are doing a lot to find kids with problems (through ASAP) and the police are stretched pretty thin. Chemical dependency is progressive. Take time to find out what's going on with your kids. Ask them what their hopes and dreams are."

It's unconscionable that teens are in the **only** group where an increased mortality rate has occurred over the last 20 years, noted Niles.

The police present the fact: "As long as there is a demand for alcohol and drugs, there will be a supply."

School programs like D.A.R.E. are working hard on changing "attitudes of our kids" to eliminate that demand, but their goal is directed to the teens of the year 2000. There are also intervention programs at the secondary level to help teens abusing.

As concerned members of the community, Niles and Sliech offered a suggestion: Get involved with your kids. We can follow this a step further by finding some viable solutions or we can ignore the problems of the teens of this decade.

Niles said, "If we don't take the time to care, I'm afraid we're going to lose them."

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Of course, there is no magical happening or formal ceremony that prepares the person mentally, emotionally, and spiritually for this total, absolute control over their own life and destiny. Many adults are still searching for answers into their middle age. Feelings of despair and failure often play a role in the "mid-life crisis."

In contrast, educational programs in our schools are working on developing self-esteem and good decision-making skills. And our community offers counseling, many support groups and organizations, and a few healthy alternatives for teens and their families.

Yet all these efforts can be negated without the driving force—the parent. The parent role model carries so many responsibilities and obligations to our teens that many try to shift some of the burden to police and school administration to become surrogate parents. Parents must make the effort and time to care enough to become educated and involved in ways to continually guide their teens and give them every opportunity to say no.

Developing an attitude of love and caring does not cancel out "trust" of the teen. Trust means "the ASSURED reliance on the character, ability, strength or truth of someone."

This comes with a mutual respect between teen and parent. Today's parents are acting on blind (unquestioning) apprehension rather than trust when their teens announce "I'm going out" until curfew.

Is it wrong to seek **assurances**: who are you going out with, where are you going, and why? That would establish trust. The parent role would also allow for establishing guidelines beforehand in this way. Wouldn't you expect that same common courtesy of a spouse or loved adult?

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AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL John Morrissey presents a certificate designating student Alan Porowski as the winner of the Century III Leadership Award at the school. Alan is among a select group of students across the United States named to the award.

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Stephanie Karam 2nd In Tap



STEFANIE KARAM of Feeding Hills recently won second place for tap in her 9-12 age division at a competition held at the Springfield Marriott, sponsored by the Dance Educators Association. Stefanie is a petite starlet at the Rainbow Connection Dance School. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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PHELPS SCHOOL TEACHER Ann Drinkwine chats with parent **Sherrie McKinnon** at last week's Parents' Open House. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



ROOM 6 PHELPS SCHOOL TEACHER Sylvia Sullivan discusses her classroom's curriculum with parents **Thomas & Joanne Wisniewski** at the school's recent Open House. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Agawam Schools' Lunch Menu

Monday, November 27th: Steamed frankfort in roll, Boston baked beans, seasoned vegetables, peaches in syrup, milk.

Tuesday, November 28th: Hamburg in roll, steamed rice, seasoned green beans, pineapple tidbits, milk.

Wednesday, November 29th: Chicken soup, grilled cheese sandwich, pickle chips, tossed garden salad with dressing, orange fruit fluff, milk.

Thursday, November 30th: Hamburg and gravy on whipped potatoes, seasoned carrots, wheat bread and butter, chocolate cake with icing, milk.

Friday, December 1st: Oven crunchy fish nuggets, ½ baked potato, niblet corn, ice cream cup, milk.

Joelle Dion Selected To "Who's Who"

Joelle Dion, a senior business major from Western New England College, has been selected to be included in the 1990 edition of *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges*.

Ms. Dion is the daughter of James & Eva Dion of Agawam.

Ms. Dion is one of 26 students from Western New England College who were chosen to be included in the annual directory. Nominations were based on academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities, and potential for continuing success.

Ms. Dion has been named to the Western New England College's Dean's List, and the National Dean's List. She is a Student Ambassador, Co-Chair of the Peer Alcohol Resource Team, and a Resident Advisor. Ms. Dion is a member of the Management Association, *The Review of Arts and Literature*, manager of the campus information desk, and a student representative to the food service committee. She has received an Alumni Association award and a Student Affairs recognition award.

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PARENT RICK PROUT chats with Phelps School teacher **Jackie Hayes** at the school's Parents' Open House last week. Mrs. Hayes teaches third grade. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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Granger Students Visit UMass Campus For Fine Arts Center Show

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

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The field trip was monumental to Granger because so many classrooms (all of grade one and two students) participated. It was also one of the farthest distances travelled by these young students for an outside cultural event.

Many of the young children were astonished to realize that UMass resembled a city with many "school" buildings (as chaperones and teachers pointed out the approaching college campus).

Children also learned about current events as they unloaded from the buses in front of the Fine Arts Building.

UMass students on strike to protest budget cuts to higher education by state legislators smiled and waved to the little ones while holding signs and boycotting classes on the greens.

The youngsters were astounded once again by the massive size of the hall as they were seated for the upcoming show. They occupied the few minutes of waiting by calling aloud the colors of the spotlights shown around the room as the lighting crew readied their part. Hundreds of students up through fourth grade filled the auditorium.

As the house lights were dimmed, voices became hushed and all eyes were riveted on center stage. The presentation began with the nine-member musical group entitled "But I'm Just A Kid" from Toronto, Canada.

The singing trio told students they performed "all over the United States and Canada, and enjoyed making new friends and see their old ones again."

The musical performances included solos, duets, and three-part harmony, as well as highlights from percussion, guitar, keyboard, and wind instruments.

There was a number designed in the form of telling the children a story, and several that included audience participation.

Several children were brought up on stage to "share their dreams" with the audience, and more still for a number to sing the refrain of "Saturday Is My Favorite Day of the Week."

Just about the time when a young audience might begin to get fidgety (containing all of that wonderful energy of youth) the performers had the audience play a game. To a square dance, fiddle-like rhythm, one side of the auditorium had to out-yell the word "playground" to the other side's "hoedown," and do it in tune to the music!

Each number was composed with the idea of relating a message to kids, and designed to be entertaining and fun.

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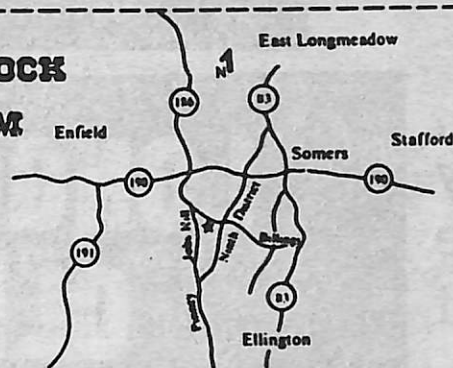


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AGAWAM DANCERS who recently excelled at a competition from the Mary Ann Studio of Dance (classes are held at the Agawam Congregational Church) are, back row - Laura Asta-Ferraro, Tara Delsky, and Kristen Michnovetz. Middle row - Jenny Serra, Ali Scherban, Janell Erskine, Amy Eggleston, and Courtney Librera. Front row - Pamela Sherry, Jennifer Gingras, Sarah Langlands, Heather Arcangeletti, and Jennifer Granger. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



SOME OF THE younger MARY ANN STUDIO OF DANCE students all dressed-up with their competition outfits include Allison Scherban, Amy Eggleston, Heather Arcangeletti, Jennifer Granger, and Pamela Sherry. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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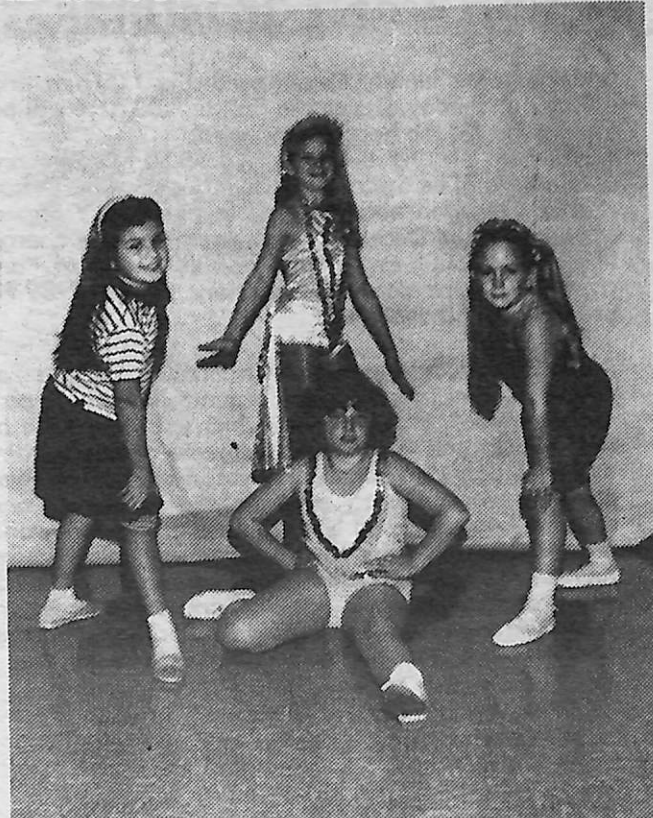
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Dancers Lookin' Good



MARY ANN STUDIO OF DANCE students Jenny Serra, Janelle Erskine, Sarah Langlands, and Jennifer Gingras excelled at a recent competition for the popular Agawam studio. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Rebecca A. White Receives "Who's Who" At WNEC

Rebecca A. White, a senior psychology major from Western New England College, has been selected to be included in the 1990 edition of *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges*.

Ms. White is the daughter of Frank & Mary White of Feeding Hills.

Ms. White is one of 26 students from Western New England College who were chosen to be included in the annual directory. Nominations were based on academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities, and potential for continuing success.

Ms. White has also been named to the Western New England College Dean's List. She is Treasurer of the Psi-Chi honor society, a Resident Advisor, a student representative to the Excellence in Teaching Review Board, and Co-Director of the Model United Nations committee.

Western New England College is a private coeducational institution located on a 120-acre suburban campus. The college serves more than 6,100 full-time and part-time students with undergraduate and graduate programs in its School of Arts and Sciences, School of Business, School of Engineering, and School of Law.

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Junior High Band Names New Officers

The Agawam Junior High School Band would like to announce newly elected band officers and section leaders for the 1989-90 school year:

President, Raymond Drewnowski; Vice President, Christine Mineo; Concert Band Manager, Gregory Pudlo; Jazz Band Manager, Jeffrey Bryant; Drum Major, Elizabeth McNamee; Drum Major, Jessica Liptak; Flutes, Sheri Bednarzyk and Lynn Moreau; Clarinets, Karen Beltrandi and Kathleen Stack; Saxophones, Jessica Liptak and Raymond Drewnowski; Brass, Gregg MacDonald and Brendon Gallagher; Percussion, Edward Lalancette and Gregory Pudlo.

The Marching Band performed at The Big E for "Agawam Day" on September 14th, took part in the M.I.C.A. (Massachusetts Instrumental Conductors Association) Festival held in Agawam on October 15th, and just recently joined the Agawam High School Marching Mohawks at the University of Massachusetts for UMass Band Day.

The Concert Band will perform their Annual Winter Concert on December 13th at 7:00 p.m. The band members would like to thank everyone who sponsored them in their advertising campaign.

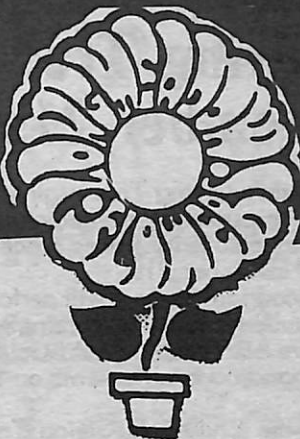
West Side Boys Club Has New Program

The West Springfield Boys and Girls Club would like to announce "Growing Together," a program now being offered during the 1989-1990 school year.

This program is a parent/daughter Sexuality Education Program for girls ages 9-11. The goal of the program is to increase positive communication between parents and daughters about sexual information and values. The program is four weeks—90 minutes each week.

The program is scheduled to start Wednesday, November 22nd, and run through Wednesday, December 13th. Classes will run each week from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. Registration for classes starting November 22nd are now being accepted.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss the program, please call the club at your convenience, 736-1831. This program is a valuable resource; anyone with hesitations please call for more information.



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Storowton Village Has Christmas Fest Planned

The sounds of songs, stories and holiday bells will fill the air at Storowton Village during its winter holiday festival weekend, December 2nd and 3rd, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Admission is free.

"Christmas Past & Pleasant" will herald the holidays of yesteryear with a variety of activities including a number of musical offerings.

The Storowton Meeting House will be the site of performances by the Agawam Congregational Church Bell Ringers and three popular folksingers and storytellers.

Tim Van Egmond of Shutesbury, Massachusetts will perform "Song and Tales of the Winter Season," Saturday, December 2nd, from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, and 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. He weaves together tales, tunes and songs using a variety of traditional instruments such as the limberjack, mouth bow, dulcimer, guitar, celtic harp, conga drum and penny whistle. Tim has performed throughout the country and is on the Folk Traditions Program Roster of the Pioneer Valley Folklore Society. He is also a performing member of the Western New England Storyteller's Guild.

Jim Douglas will present "Songs of an Old New England Christmas," Sunday, December 3rd, from 11:00 to 11:45 a.m. The Sturbridge folksinger and storyteller has been enchanting audiences throughout the Northeast for over 14 years. He is a frequent performer at Old Sturbridge Village.

John Porcino will get the audience involved in his old songs and stories Sunday, December 3rd, from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. John, of Amherst, is a multi-instrumentalist who has shared his repertoire of tales with enthusiastic audiences throughout America. He is a recording artist for Story Stone Cassette Magazine and was published in the book "Joining in: An Anthology of Audience Participation Stories and How to Tell Them."

Choral groups from throughout the region will perform from the Gazebo on the Village Green including Springfield Central High School, Cathedral High School, Williston-Norhampton School, Ludlow High School, and Deerfield Academy.

Other holiday festival activities include tours of decorated buildings, historic lectures, hay rides, games, scavenger hunts, holiday shopping, crafts demonstrations, food sampling, and more.

Other events during festival weekend included: The Old Deerfield Christmas Sampler Craft Fair in the New England Center, (\$3 admission) and the Holiday Antiques and Collectibles Show in the Young Building (\$2.50 admission). Both shows will run from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and there will be transportation linking all three events.

For more information, call 787-0136.

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ADVETISER NEWS!!!

"The Great Grump" Coming For Christmas

A news flash has reached the North Pole and Santa's Village, that a smile thief, alias **The Great Grump**, has escaped and vowed as he jumped the wall to steal the smile of the man who put him away 20 years ago...none other than our own Santa Claus.

When last seen, The Great Grump hijacked a dogsled and was seen heading to the North Pole. He's coming to get Santa's smile and make him the grumpiest person in the world. Will Santa's smile be saved?

Can the Children's Theatre of Massachusetts save Santa's smile? To find out the answer to this question and many others, bundle-up the kids and come to Springfield's Symphony Hall and catch the smile thief, as you witness this brand new holiday adventure *Santa, Live! Santa Meets The Great Grump*.

This production is sponsored by Lego Systems, Inc., in cooperation with Pepsi Cola. WGGB-TV Channel 40 and WHY-AM Radio. The dates are as follows: Thursday, November 30th, at 7:00 p.m.; Friday, December 1st, at 7:00 p.m. (a benefit performance for Bay State Medical Center Pediatrics Ward, sponsored by Big Y Supermarkets and Freihofer's—General Admission Only); Saturday, December 2nd, at 1:00 p.m.

Annual Giving Tree Opens November 21st

The Sixth Annual Children's Giving Tree begins the 1989 holiday season with an opening ceremony at the Baystate West Shops. The celebration takes place at 10:00 a.m., on Tuesday, November 21st.

Central High School's Madrigal Singers will perform Christmas carols while students from the Springfield Day Nursery and members of the Springfield Golden Age Club place the first handmade ornaments on the tree.

Now a local tradition, the Children's Giving Tree, sponsored by the Milton Bradley Company, makes certain that needy children in the Springfield area receive Christmas presents. For every handmade ornament placed on the tree, Milton Bradley will donate a toy or game to one of three children's charities.

Representatives from the charities—the United Way, The Salvation Army Toy for Joy, and the Marine Corps Toys for Tots—will join Milton Bradley President George Ditomassi, for the opening day festivities.

For more information, contact Joy Zukowski at Milton Bradley, 525-6411, extension 2393.

Northern Connecticut Ballet Presents "The Nutcracker"

Windsor: The Northern Connecticut Ballet presents *The Nutcracker* to be performed on Friday, December 8th and 15th, at 8:00 p.m.; Saturday, December 9th and 16th, at 2:00 and 8:00 p.m.; Sunday, December 10th and 17th, at 2:00 p.m., at the L.P. Wilson Community Center, 599 Matianuck Avenue, Windsor, Connecticut.

Tickets are adults, \$10; children and senior citizens, \$5. For more information, call 285-8488 or 243-8063.

and 4:00 p.m.; Sunday, December 3rd, at 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. (Sunday, December 3rd, at 1:00 p.m. will be interpreted for the hearing impaired).

Reserved seating is \$7.50 and \$5.50. Tickets are available at The Springfield Civic Center Box Office and at Ticketron outlets. (And at area Big Y Supermarkets for the December 1st Benefit). Phone charge (413) 787-6600 or 1-800-382-8080. Tickets are available at the door. Subscriptions for the 1989-90 season are still available.

The "award winning" Children's Theatre of Massachusetts is a non-profit organization, which provides services and programs which are charitable or educational and which address the needs of the community at large; to enrich the lives of the families and children we serve; to enhance the education and cultural awareness of young children in the world around them, to offer theatrical programming of the highest artistic quality at an affordable price, which will promote enjoyable learning and assist those involved in the education of children. For more information, please call (413) 788-0705.

Several Openings For Perry Lane Nursery

The Agawam Parks/Recreation Department has a few openings in their nursery school (Perry Lane Nursery) for non-residents as well as residents.

Children who were three years-old by September 30th, 1989 are eligible to attend the Tuesday/Thursday session from 9:00 to 11:30 a.m. Tuition for the two-day per week session is \$405, payable at \$45 per month.

Children who were four years-old by September 30th, 1989 may attend the Monday/Wednesday/Friday session from 12:30 to 3:00 p.m. Tuition for the three-day per week session is \$540, payable at \$60 per month.

A nourishing snack will be provided daily to the nursery school children at a slight charge.

Registration is daily Monday through Friday, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., in the parks/recreation office (located in the rear of the Agawam High School, lower driveway).

If you have any questions or would like to visit the nursery school, please call the parks/recreation office at 786-0400, extension 456.

Westfield Vocation Class '90 Sets Arts & Crafts Fair

Westfield: The Westfield Vocational High School Class of 1990 will sponsor its 5th Annual Christmas Arts & Craft Fair on Sunday, November 26th, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the school.

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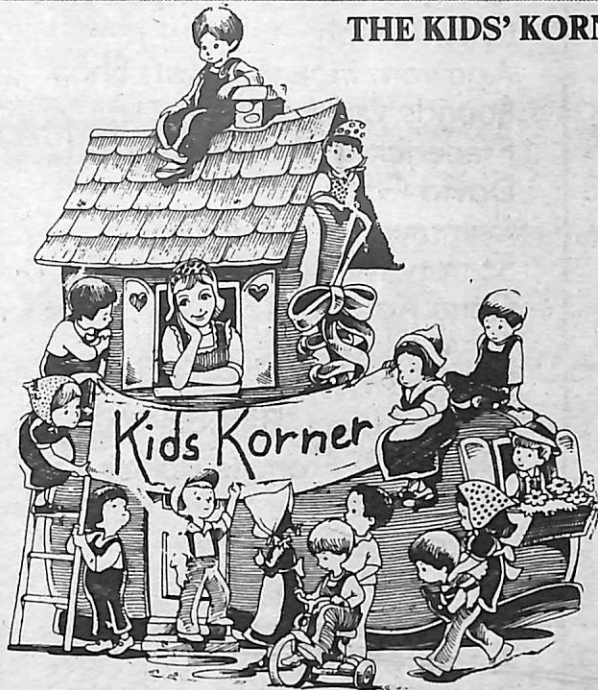


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THE KIDS' KORNER class of first grade teacher Susan Avondo, Robinson Park School. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



Of Pilgrims, Mayflower, & Pumpkin Pie...

Robinson Park School
Grade 1 - Susan Avondo

I took a trip to Plymouth Rock. I saw the rock where the Pilgrims came on land. It is pretty. My brothers and sister and I sat near it.
Erin Sullivan

Wouldn't it be weird if a motorboat passed the Mayflower or a 1953 Ford was driven by Squanto. We have had a lot of changes since the First Thanksgiving. I'm glad I live now. How could the Indians eat such gross corn?
Patrick Dumas

The Mayflower had lots of power. It changed the way people live today. They wrote a note on the boat and built a lot of homes.
Kristen Kocot

Thanksgiving is my favorite time of the year. I love it. I like to eat.
Philip Hebert

The Pilgrims ate berries. Their beds were very hairy. But I'm glad that the Pilgrims and Indians began sharing.
Heather Cripps

I am thankful for food and clothes. We have Thanksgiving on Thursday. I like Thanksgiving. It is a good day with pumpkin pie. m m m!
Maria DiMarco

I like Thanksgiving because the turkey is good and I love to have people over.
Karen Hadden

The Pilgrims hunt for animals for food to eat. The children do some work. They made a holiday that we still celebrate.
Shawna Suffriti

I am thankful for the Indians. They showed the Pilgrims I am thankful for the peaceful holiday. We can give and care for others.
Schuyler Shultz

The Indians were very smart people. They knew that if you put a fish in with your corn, you would get better soil. They never had any house problems. They kept America beautiful.
Jon Ventulett

Thanksgiving is a holiday. The Pilgrims and the Indians helped each other. I'm glad people care about each other today.
Monica Moriarty

SEE KIDS' KORNER - Page 49...

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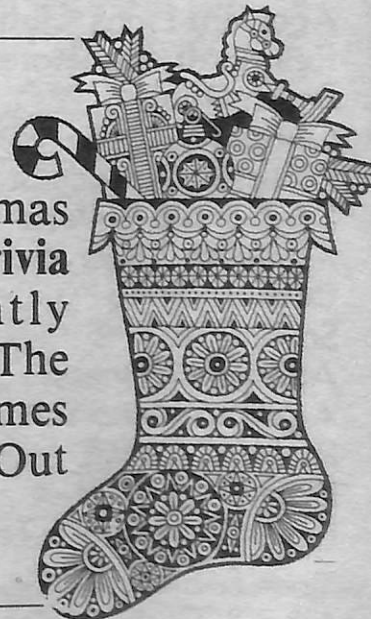


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KIDS' KORNER - From Page 48...

I am thankful for food and clothes and love. I am thankful for my Mom and Dad, my brother and God.

Alyson Mastrangelo

I went to Cape Cod. I saw the Mayflower II. It is like the real one. It was in real water. My brother Brendan would not go in it because he does not like real water.

If you take a quarter and throw it down and hit Plymouth Rock, you will get three wishes.

Darcey Cavanaugh

James Clark School - Grade 2 Room 6, Mrs. Goodwin

John Bitgood: my family.

James Borowiec: having food.

Matthew Coughlin: a home.

Nicholas D'Angelo: having people to love me.

David Dupre: God.

Michael Hastings: school.

Patrick Kelly: gym.

Anthony Moretti: a brother.

Billy Pananas: computers, keyboards.

Justin Richter: Pilgrims.

Edward Torres: to be alive; water.

Valerie Cross: homework; writing.

Jacqueline Bergstrom: a teacher.

Amanda Galluzzo: parents; my bird.

Rebecca Goulet: Mrs. Goodwin; my cat.

Jennifer Harvey: my sister; my dog.

Lauren Kunkler: my birthday; Thanksgiving.

ing; Indians.

Julie Lungarini: clothing.

Andrea Prova: freedom.

Crystal Place: Mr. Rovelli.

Kelly Webb: my friends.

Jonathan Wilson: sign language.

Robinson Park School - Grade 1 Room 2, Mrs. Avondo

"I AM THANKFUL FOR..."

Jacqueline Bennett...for my teacher.

David Berube...for Lucy, my pet hamster.

Daniel Boissonneault...for my clothes.

Gregory Boisvert...that I'm not blind.

William Bond...for Robinson Park School.

Michael Bonesteel...for my bike.

Ryan Buynicki...for clean water for drinking.

Timothy Chretien...for each other.

Michael Cook...for my pet fish, Snoopy.

Jeffrey Fay...for what I eat.

Kerri Fruwirth...for my four fish, my cat, and my dog.

Alyson Garvey...for my body.

Gina Goralczyk...that I was born.

Ryan Hamel...for desserts.

Stephen Ingram...that I have friends.

Deanna Leighty...for my home.

Joseph Maynard...that we can breathe through our lungs.

Heather Newalu...that I have a Mom and Dad.

Melissa Orr...that I'm me.

Jeffrey Robinson...for my turkey.

Jennifer Sawa...for my sister.
Heather Scarlett...for our country.
Christopher Swarthout...for milk.
Christina Climo...for my bike.

James Clark School - Grade 2 Room 8, Mrs. Greenough

"I Am Most Thankful For..."

Christopher Bilodeau...my family.

Matthew Biza...my dog.

Ryan Campbell...we're going to have a nice day.

Darcey Cavanaugh...science

Heather Cripps...my friends.

Maria DiMarco...my grandma.

Patrick Dumas...that no one in my family is hurt or sick.

Jonathan Eddy...we are going to be able to have lots of food.

Karen Hadden...my family.

Philip Hebert...my new house.

Kristen Kocot...turkey.

Alyson Mastrangelo...my mom and dad.

Michael Holzman...my friends.

Glenn LaBier...my friends.

Monica Moriarty...my parents.

Melanie Poirier...living in the U.S.A.

Donald Perusse...my family.

Schuyler Shultz...the Pilgrims.

Shawna Suffriti...clothes, friends, and food.

Erin Sullivan...everyone is so special.

Jon Ventullet...my grandmother is coming to visit.

The Kids' Korner, Grade 2 Class Of Beverly Goodwin



THE JAMES CLARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL class of Beverly Goodwin participated in our Thanksgiving Kids' Korner. The students have been studying the Indians and have learned special facts about totem poles. The class built the totem pole in the picture, with the help of Mrs. Bitgood and Mrs. Lungarini. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Fitness First Assists Project D.A.R.E.



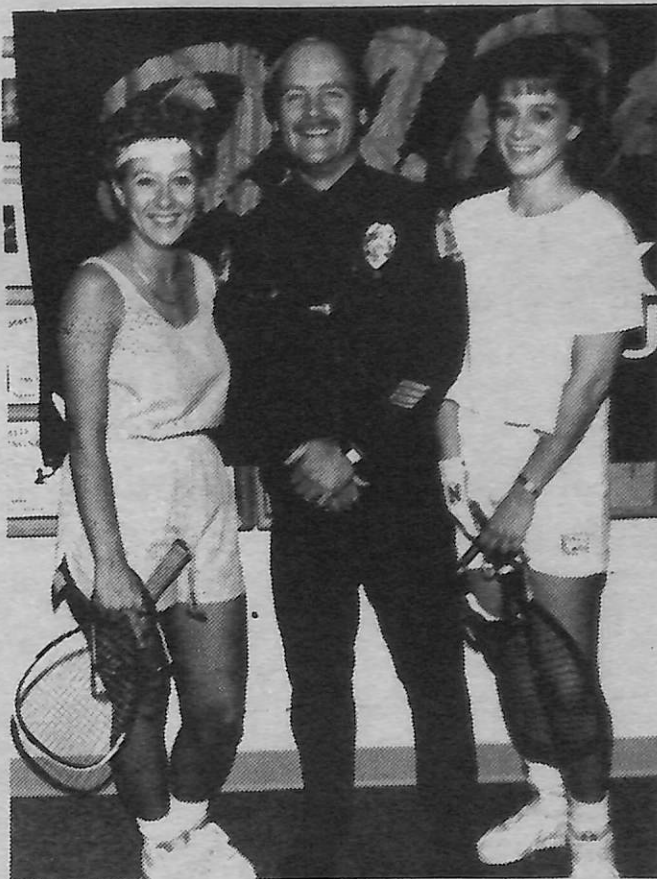
PROJECT D.A.R.E. OFFICER Richard Niles sets-up an anti-substance abuse display at Fitness First Health & Racquet Club with owners and operators Kurt & Paula Welker. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



FITNESS FIRST HEALTH & RACQUET CLUB OWNERS Kurt & Paula Welker welcome Project D.A.R.E. officers Richard Niles (left) and Wayne Macey. The officers set-up an anti-substance abuse display for the members' benefit. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



PARTICIPANTS IN A RACQUETBALL TOURNEY November 10th, 11th, and 12th at Fitness First Health & Racquet Club to benefit Project D.A.R.E. were Mike DeMarco (left, racquetball pro), Tom Barbuti (tournament staff), and Kurt Welker (club owner and operator). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



PROJECT D.A.R.E. COORDINATOR Wayne Macey (Agawam Police Dept.) wishes good luck to racquetball players Jean Kelley and Lisa Carrington at a tournament benefitting the anti-drug program, held at Fitness First Health & Racquet Club. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Gymnastics Development At Westfield YMCA

Westfield: Girls in grades one to six can participate in the Gymnastics Development Program. Beginner through advanced skills are taught. Basic skills in all Olympic Events are taught making this an excellent introduction for girls interested in the YMCA Gym Team.

For girls four to six years-old, the YMCA offers Tiny Tumblers, a course which teaches fundamentals. It also exposes the participants to the gymnastics events of the balance beam, vault, uneven bars, and floor exercises. Emphasis is placed on skill learning as well as enjoyment.

A Coed Preschool Gym class for children ages two to five is being offered. The class teaches basic stretching, body awareness, balance, coordination, and includes parent involvement.

Anyone interested in further information is encouraged to call 568-8631 for details.

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Sports

Agawam Meets West Side On Thanksgiving...
Fond Memories For Many Former Agawam Players...

Agawam - West Side Football Always Stirs Many Emotions For AHS Players

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

I look around my desk and there's nothing but clutter. It's not every week that it's like this. This is the week that I visited with people about the rivalry that has been Agawam High and West Springfield High since 1924. I was asked to write an article about it—it could have just as easily been a book.

They've played at the "Dog Track," the "Brownie Rock Pile," the old Middle School, the old High School, Clark Field, Harmon Smith Field, and I'm sure several other places. One thing for sure, they always have played.

Right next to Agawam High Athletic Director **Cliff Kibbe's** desk, there is a small yellowed sheet of paper with all the results of the rivalry from 1924 through 1981. When Kibbe cleans out his office when he decides to retire, it may be the first thing that gets saved.

Kibbe is proud that as a player or a coach he never lost a game to West Side; that's not what he remembers best though. "I had a pass right in my hands and I was wide open in the end zone and I dropped it. We had to settle for a 7-7 tie in 1943." Forty-six years and he still remembers.

He didn't drop many, according to **Tom Knight**, who said Kibbe was an excellent ballplayer. He wasn't blessed with the greatest speed in the world, but he was rugged, strong and tough.

It was **Buddy Johnson** who had the speed. Knight was the quarterback back in the middle forties. He later went on to star at Amherst College.

"My favorite memory of the West Side games is the one in '47 when I had a perfect day—nine for nine passing." He spread the passes out to WR **Eddie Johnson**, **Kibbe**, and **Buddy Johnson** (no relation to Eddie or to me).

Kibbe gave me a list of players who have played for the Brownies and gone on to coach or work in the Agawam system. See if any of these names ring a bell. **Harmon Smith. Harry Leonardi. Roger LeClerc. Tom O'Keefe. Jim Bruno. Howie Murphy. Joe Modzelewski.**

Ralph Zavarella. Don Charest. Jack Michalak. Bill Sapelli. Lou Conte. Gary Geiger. Dean Vecchiarelli. Eric Lunden. Jeff Reece. Alan Boucher. All those players went head to head with West Springfield at one time or another.

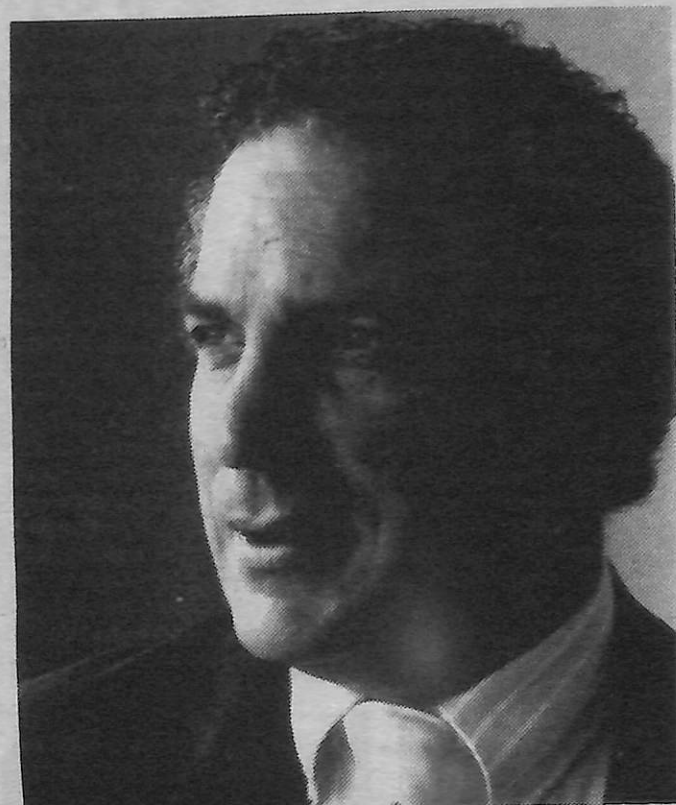
Agawam has dominated the rivalry handily over the years and that may play right into the hands of the West Side coaches and players. Oh yes, they are involved in this thing too. In a recent conversation with **Ken Kindig**, current West Side coach, this point was verified.

Kindig thinks it is a perfect rivalry for his club. They are not usually expected to win, so when they do, it gives them real reason to celebrate. He points directly to last year's 22-21 win over the Brownies to the revitalization of his program. "We had less than 20 kids out for the team last year and after we finished the year beating Agawam our numbers have doubled this year.

Kindig, a 1952 West Side graduate and player, remembers the '51 game the best. "We led 13-7 late in the game and Agawam was coming right at us in the fourth quarter. It looked like they were just going to take it right into the end zone and beat us. Then all of a sudden, **Joe Harrington** stepped right in front of a pass in the end zone and intercepted it. We won the game." Kindig said he can't remember another thing about Joe Harrington outside of that play. That's what rivalries are all about.

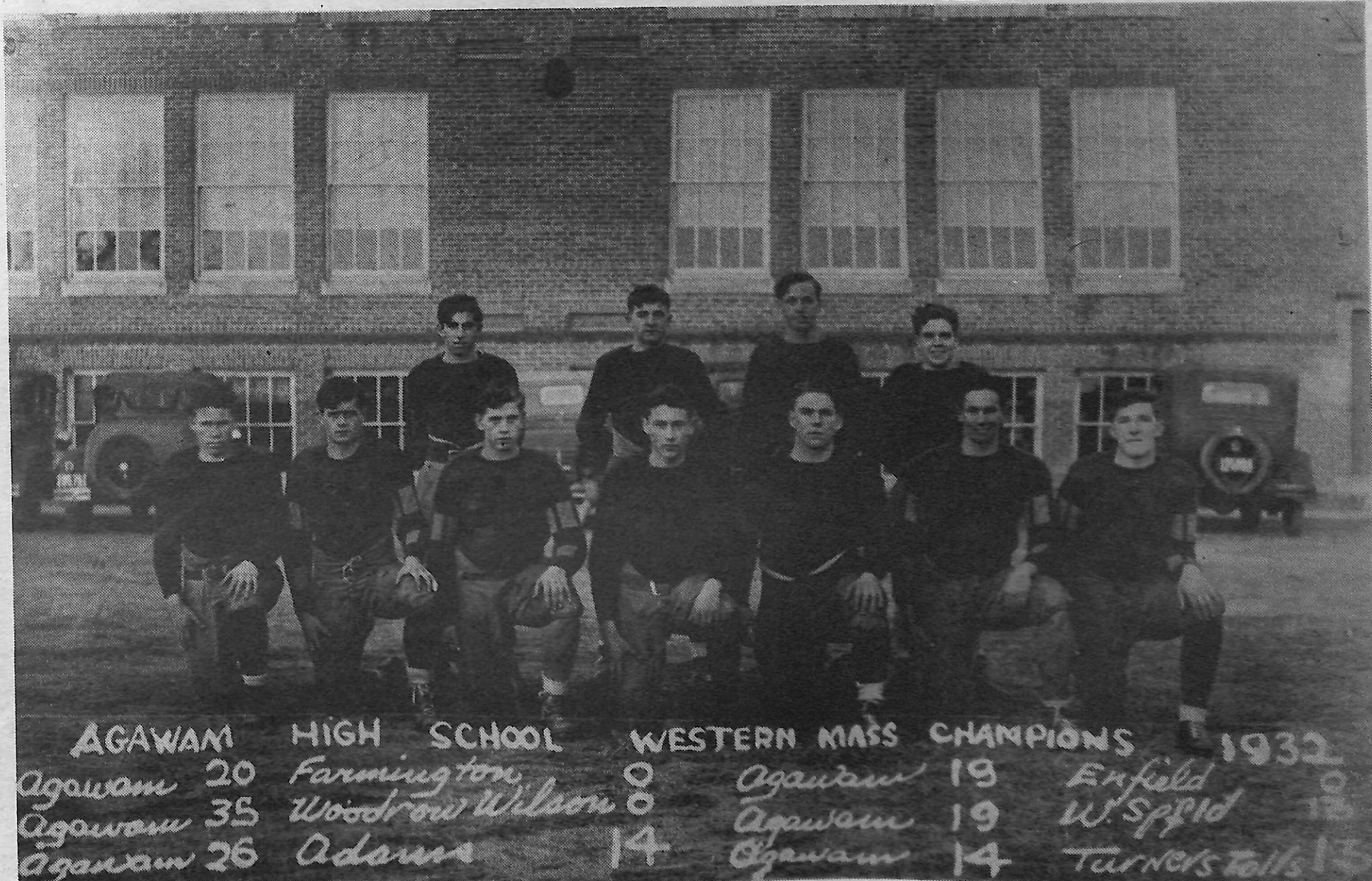
Twenty, 30, 40, and even 50 years can go by real fast if you are not careful. During my research, I found many times that everyone remembers things a little bit differently. Our memories can play tricks on us. That's OK, though. You can remember the rivalry anyway you want to remember it. They're your memories.

Great coaches like Harmon Smith and Harry Leonardi will forever be remembered as brilliant coaches. Legends. Never made the wrong call. Newer coaches will always be compared to them. Kindig told me that he remembers a time when Agawam had won



ONE OF THE GREAT RUNNING BACKS of all-time at Agawam High, Jim "Turk" Bruno, had no problem getting "up" for West Springfield. Bruno still holds the single-season West Mass. scoring record - a record that has held since 1957.

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THE 1932 Agawam High Brownies had an undefeated season, including a close 19-13 victory over archrival West Springfield.

WEST SIDE FOOTBALL - continued...

somewhere in the neighborhood of 25 or 26 straight games. He went to watch a game that Leonardi was coaching and he remembers perfectly some fans giving Harry the business as if he had never won a game.

Payback has become a big part of the rivalry. Current Brownie head coach Joe Modzelewski relayed a story about the great Payback of '59. "In 1958, **Eddie Mason** (former Brownie living in Feeding Hills. He was an AHS halfback and then West Side Coach) really got us good," Modge recalls. "He was punting on first down and continually pinning us back in our own end. Finally, he got us back inside our five and we end-up fumbling at our four. They take it in and score and beat us 8-0. In '59, we got them back. We beat them 41-0." Modge scored four touchdowns in the game. That is still an Agawam record in the West Side game shared by **Mike B'Shara**, **Stu Kibbe**, and **Joe Pisano**.

Oh yes. Joe Pisano ('36-40). I spent an hour-and-a-half talking with Joe Pisano and his bride, Rita. Over pizza and coffee, we talked about Agawam teams past and present. Joe Pisano is a living story book. He's as modest as one person could possibly be. It was like men and boys when he played. Scrapbooks that he hadn't seen in years were on his table in his kitchen. This man could play! He could run the 100 yard dash in just over 10 seconds and he was as strong as a bull. The writeups were terrific, often from the opposing town paper. He held all the school records until Jim Bruno came along and took them—heck, not the school records—the state records.

His favorite West Side game was in 1940. A torrential rain had basically ruined the West Side football field several days before the game. Harmon Smith, then the Agawam coach, didn't want to play the game due to the condition of the field. **Garritt Clark**, the West Side Coach, wanted to play because he "didn't think that Pisano was a mudder." They played and Pisano romped and stomped his Agawam team to a 27-0 thrashing of the Terriers. I guess he was a mudder, huh.

Lou Conte, freshman football coach, feels like the 1969 game was his most memorable. "Not really for anything that I did but **Don Progulski** engineered a tremendous comeback in the West Springfield game. (Agawam trailed 28-7 at halftime) and we came from two or three touchdowns behind to win the game, 30-28."

Generals have written letters to coaches to inspire the team; guys have come back to the field and watched after 10 or even 20 years (or longer) absences; sons

play in the same game that their fathers did; sometimes, grandsons playing in the same game as their grandfathers.

This one goes back a long way folks and this Thursday morning at Harmon Smith Field in Agawam, they'll do it all again. Just like the old days.

Let's take a short walk through a long time and see what they are saving about this game...

Joe Pisano (1936-1940), "We used to band the hell out of one another during the game and go out on a double date with a West Side player that night..."



PRESENT AHS FOOTBALL COACH Joe Modzelewski scored four touchdowns in the West Side game back in his glory days at the school; he and his 1989 Brownies are looking to avenge last year's upset defeat at the hands of the Terriers.



TOMMY KNIGHT is still remembered as one of the best all-time quarterbacks for Agawam High, and says the West Side game was always special to him.

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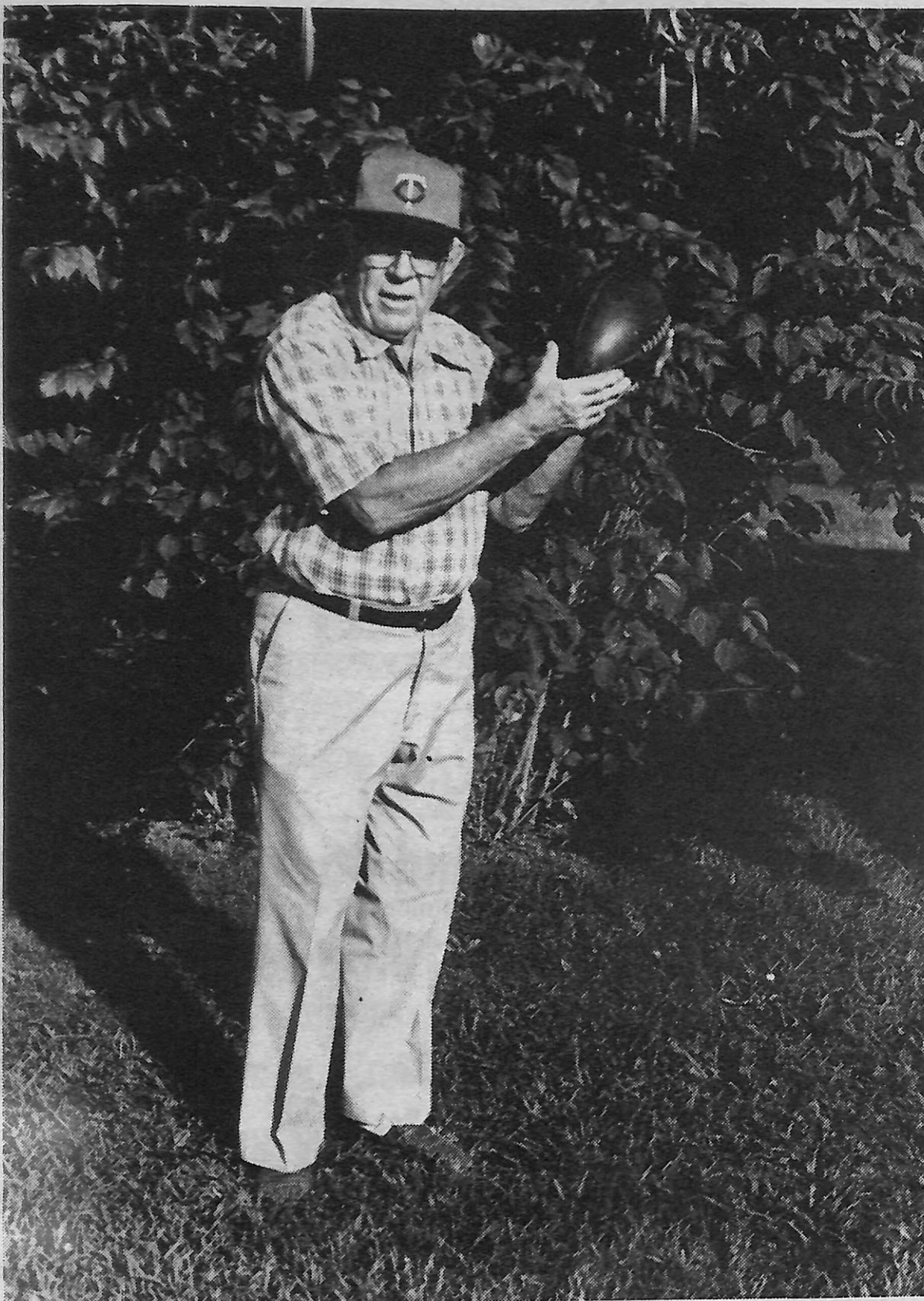
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1928 AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL graduate George Reynolds remembers seeing the first West Springfield/Agawam game back in 1924. In 1927, the fall of Reynolds' senior year, the Brownies were undefeated and did not allow a single point by the opposition. George still beams with pride over that feat, accomplished under the direction of the legendary Harmon Smith.

FOND WEST SIDE Memories - continued...

Joe Pisano, "You go to the game 40 years later and you see people in the opposing stands that you played against all those years ago."

Cliff Kibbe, (Agawam player, coach, athletic director), "I was very lucky to have never lost a game as player or coach, but the two ties (1943 and 1973) still leave me with an empty feeling today."

Tom Knight (Agawam QB in middle 40's), "I still remember having that perfect day as a sophomore quarterback (9-9 passing) and I still try and make it to the breakfast before the game each year so I can see everyone. It depends on the weather if I go to the game or not."

Joe Modzelewski (player, current Agawam coach), "It's been a heated and long lived rivalry dating back all the way to 1924. It's a natural rivalry."

Ken Kindig (West Side player, current West Side coach), "I don't hate Agawam, but I sure love to beat them...Leonardi was a once-in-a-lifetime coach for them...You can throw out the season records when this one takes place..."

Lou Conte (Agawam player early 1970's, freshman football coach), "I know we always got keyed up for that one...It was always the last ballgame...always a great tradition...always a great ballgame."

Jason Wooley (current halfback Agawam), "Regardless of what kind of season you've had, you can always have a successful season by beating West Side. For the seniors, this is our season now..."

This Thursday ought to be another dandy. It will be your last chance to see the seniors on both teams. It will be the day we last see Jason Wooley in pads (of course, I thought that several years ago when Doug Flutie played his final snap at Natick High). Wooley has played in only five football games in 1989 and has 905 yards. "One helluva football player and the All-American boy too," says Joe Modzelewski, who will miss Jason in many ways. "We'll certainly try to get Jason his 1,000 yard season."

It will be a stroll down a familiar avenue for many, many people. If you haven't been in a while, what are you waiting for? Everyone will be glad to see you. Make it a part of your Holiday.

Melissa DesRosiers Selected For All New England Award

Endicott College in Beverly, Massachusetts is pleased to announce that Melissa DesRosiers, daughter of Linda D. DesRosiers of Feeding Hills has been selected for the NJCAA, Region XXI, All New England Award in Soccer.

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Melissa is a freshman majoring in Fashion Design.

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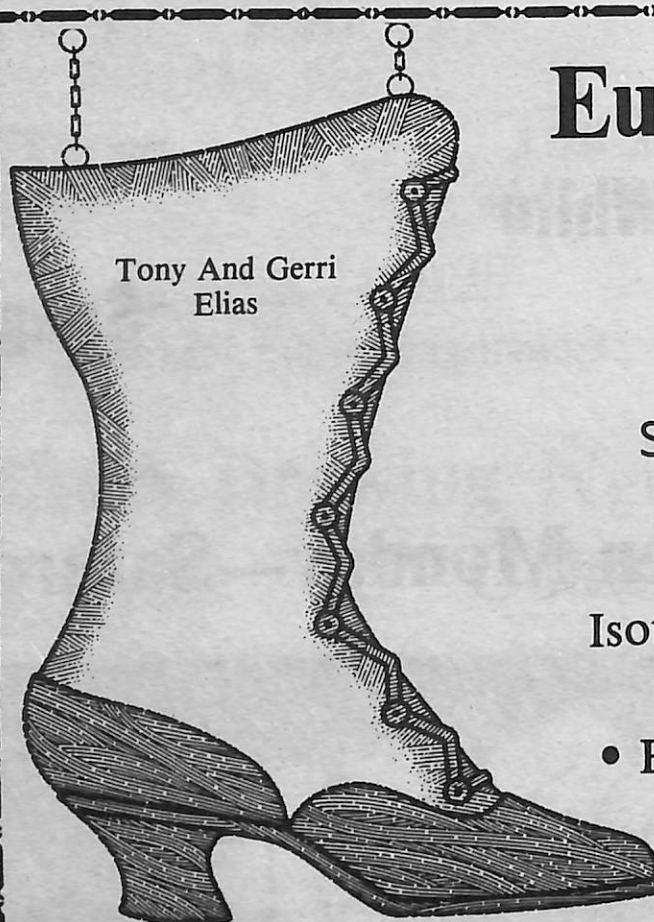
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Brownie Gymnasts Finish 2nd In Division B To Complete Best Season Ever

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

It was a night of high drama and a nailbiting finish in both scholastic divisions Friday night, November 17th, as the high school gymnastics season came to its conclusion. The PVIAC Girls' Gymnastics Team Championships were a tremendous success.

Agawam High School ended its season on its happiest note in the tenure of Coach Laura Benoit. The team was very excited; the coach was beside herself.

In essence, a total team effort by the Brownies earned them their first post-season prize in recent memory. They began the night with a most solid performance on the balance beam and ended it with a clutch effort on the uneven bars to bring home second place in the "B" Division and the beautiful plaque that went with it.

Hampshire Regional ran away and hid with the first place trophy in the "B" Division and that paved the way for the exciting battle for second between the Brownies and Wahconah High School from Dalton.

Eight schools competed on Friday night—four each from "A" Division (South Hadley, Pittsfield, Cathedral, and Amherst), and four from "B" Division (Agawam, Hampshire Regional, Wahconah, and Chicopee Comprehensive).

There were four squads with two teams per squad, and they battled head-to-head on each event. Agawam was paired with Wahconah and that set up a wonderful matchup throughout the course of the evening.

The Brownies posted a fine 26.10 on the balance beam in their first event. This score was one of their season's finest on the beam as Karen Dean and Maria Losito both earned scorecards of 7.6. Ellen Peters checked in with a 6.0. Wahconah had a 25.70.

Wahconah went ahead of Agawam by dancing their

way to a 30.90 on the floor exercise in event number two. Agawam hung in there with a 29.00 score as a team.

Karen Dean led the way with an 8.0, Maria Losito carded a 7.95, and Jill Robb had a fine routine scored at 6.65. Karen Hanson turned in the fourth score that would be used when she posted a 6.4. Agawam trailed Wahconah by one-and-a-half points with two events to go, 56.60 to 55.10. Hampshire had a score of 56.95 at the time, but they had started the night on bars and beam. Their big scores were yet to come.

Agawam appeared to take themselves right out of the trophy hunt when they had a very disappointing vaulting event. Normally, the Brownies score high in vaulting, but not on Friday night. Maria Losito led AHS with a 7.5 score followed by Karen Dean and Ellen Peters, who posted scores of 7.35 and 7.15 respectively. Agawam got 28.65. Wahconah scored 29.85, and they appeared to move solidly into second place with just one event to go. Meanwhile, Hampshire Regional carded a 31.80 on the floor exercise.

After three events in "B" Division, Hampshire Regional, 88.75. Wahconah, 86.45. Agawam, 83.75. Chicopee Comprehensive, 73.80.

When making up ground at a gymnastics meet, you would prefer to be on the floor or the vault, but the Brownies were heading to the unevens to make their comeback. Add to that, Maria Losito had twisted her ankle making her final vault and the clock was running against her (as she attempted to extricate herself from medical personnel in time to compete on the bars).

Losito got over there to perform about 30 seconds before she would have been ruled disqualified and she

posted a 6.1. Usually, Maria would be in the low-to-mid 7's on that event, and that appeared to jeopardize the Brownie chances.

Maria's score was perhaps a shade lower because she dismounted from the lower bar instead of the high bar.

Karen Dean, though, completed a super night by flipping and spinning her way to an 8.1, giving the team a total of 26.00 and a tournament total of 109.75. A very solid score.

Wahconah was able to post only a 21.65 on the bars and Agawam had gotten second place by a margin of 109.75 to 108.10. Hampshire Regional pounded out its impressive first place finish at 120.6 when it received 31.85 in vaulting. Chicopee Comp, despite another awesome performance by its star, Patty Ryan, came in fourth with a mark of 97.65.

In the "A" Division, Cathedral and Amherst (also paired head to head in a squad) went at it all night long in a nip and tuck battle. Cathedral squeaked out a win on Friday night, 125.05 to 124.9 over the Hurricanes of Amherst.

It was a beauty of a battle as Amherst's Jenny Hsu finished the night on the floor exercise and she came up .15 short of a team victory when she posted an 8.9.

Pittsfield was brilliant as well with a 118.15 good only for third place. South Hadley scored 104.2 for fourth place.

The Central gymnasium crowd erupted time after time all night to support their teams. There was a lot of people and they had a lot of fun.

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A Jingle Bell Fun Walk and non-competitive run will take place Sunday, December 3rd, to benefit the Springfield area branch of the Arthritis Foundation. The 2.2 mile walk/run begins at 1:00 p.m., at the Springfield YMCA on Chestnut Street. The walk/run is open to people of all ages to raise money for the Arthritis Foundation.

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Tournament Odyssey Ends For AHS Girls Soccer, 1-0 In State's

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Detour. All roads lead through Marlboro.

Agawam High girls' soccer gave up its first tournament goal in four games and it cost them as they bowed to Marlboro, 1-0, in the State Semi-Finals at Worcester Poly Tech last Wednesday night.

Once again, the Brownies dominated the game with a huge territorial edge. This time, they were unable to get the lead and it cost them when Marlboro scored with 7:23 to play in the second half.

Agawam displayed crisp passing; Marlboro played helter-skelter kick and run. Agawam held-up 90 percent of Marlboro's advances at midfield; Marlboro was unable to keep the Brownies out of their defensive end.

It seemed only a matter of time before the Brownies would score the goal and win the game. It never happened.

Marlboro had several players that were noteworthy. They had a senior by the name of Danielle Gilliat who could throw the ball an incredible distance. On one play, Gilliat threw in from the left wing side at 27:43 of the first half. The ball travelled on the fly to the front of the net. A weak header on goalie Kim Trudel resulted. Kim picked up the harmless ball, but it was something to think about.

Those throw-ins were no factor the rest of the contest. The other player of concern was senior striker Colleen Milliken. She was a major thorn for the Brownies all night. She was the girls who would ultimately end their season. She was just a little bit of a thing sizewise. Her heart, her relentlessness, and her speed were major league items, however. She could fly.

The Brownies were unselfish on this night. At one point at 13:30 of the first half, they made five consecutive short passes that nearly resulted in a goal. Sue Jakubowski was cutting diagonally through the slot, 10 yards in front, Brie Cosgrove's pass just missed connections.

Playing for the first time this season on the artificial turf (they had practiced at Springfield College on Tuesday), the Brownies realized about 15 minutes into the game that they could put quality shots on goal from a much greater distance. Karen Patterson put a one-hopper on goalie Kristin Taylor from 25 yards out at 25:29 of the first half; Cosgrove slammed a roller just

outside the left post at 24:09.

Marlboro was playing some fine defense, too. Agawam did not enjoy a breakaway in the game. Throughout the regular year and in the Western Mass tourney, Agawam always had several glittering chances on opportunities set up by Missy Brown, Katie Burns, and the rest of the midfield crew. These were not available in Worcester. Marlboro repeatedly stopped those passes.

Cosgrove and Brown, within a minute of one another, hit high rainbow shots from 18 yards. Cosgrove's landed on top of the cage; Brown's launch was handled by the keeper on one big bounce.

Cathy Scaggs had perhaps Agawam's best chance of the night when she rifled a direct kick from 23 yards out on left wing. It hooked right on the keeper who handled it. There was no rebound, Patterson was right there looking for one.

Agawam had the wind in the first half. It didn't seem to be much of a factor. Agawam's only other chance of the first half was a very nice play. Patterson was cutting up the right wing side with the ball when she dropped the ball back to Carrie Piccoli. Piccoli left-footed a BB. Taylor made the save. It was 0-0 at the half.

Marlboro seemed inspired to begin the second half. Milliken put the pressure on early, but Joy Clark forced her right to the end line and Marlboro's shot was weak and from an impossible angle.

Trudel came up huge at 35:45. A ball squirted free about 10 yards in front of her. Odds were that she would not get there prior to the Marlboro attacker. She took off anyway and made a tremendous lunge. She sprawled just in time. She took the full force of the ball and the foot. Clark kicked it out of danger. It was still scoreless. An excellent effort by the freshman tender.

Scaggs went bombs away on another direct kick from 30 yards with 32:30 remaining in the game. The goalie was unable to handle it cleanly and it lay in front for a split second. Patterson was hunting for the bound, the goalie came out and scooped it. No shot, no goal.

Coach Bill O'Brien told *The AAN*, "For some reason, we just didn't shoot tonight. Our game is not shooting. It cost us." He exhorted them to shoot at halftime and they did early in the second half. Jakubowski clobbered a couple and got too much foot on them as they sailed through the football goalposts. Cosgrove pounded one high and far as well.

Time was running down. Who would score that deciding goal?

It was Marlboro. It was Milliken. Like many fine athletes, she had several speeds. She challenged every ball that got into the Agawam defensive zone. Each time, she was turned away empty. She never quit.

That desire is what decided this game. At 7:23 to play, she got what she wanted. She screamed in on right wing to harass the Agawam fullbacks. The ball was kicked back to Trudel. It never reached Kim. Milliken got between the fullback and the goaltender and intercepted the ball. Trudel was no match for this dynamo; no goaltender alive could have made the play.

Milliken cut left and went right by. She was ahead of the entire field. She kicked the ball. It went into the middle of the net. Everybody's head immediately swerved to the clock at the other end of the field. Not much time, for the first time all season, Agawam had to score a goal under duress. Time was running down.

The kids started to press. And Marlboro just kept clearing the ball. Several times, Marlboro actually had scoring chances as the Agawam defense began to creep up in search of badly-needed offense.

With under two minutes to play, Debbie Albano lost a race with the keeper for a ball in front. It wasn't close, but it was Agawam's best opportunity — and the last. It was over. The celebration began. Agawam did not participate in it.

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In addition to this, Riverside and Pontiac Motorsports Grand Prix will be used as it already has been—in over 30 major auto shows and related functions promoting Pontiac, Riverside Park Speedway, and auto safety.

The vehicle will also be the lead car in four major New England parades. In addition, it will be the official Shriner's Crippled Children's Home Fundraiser Car, a project designed to give rides in the pace car to benefit the children's hospital.

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Riverside Speedway and Pontiac Motorsports mean what they say: "First in auto racing and first in excitement, Pontiac," noted Dodge.

Best Local News...

Even In Loss, Agawam High Girls Show Right Stuff On Soccer Pitch

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Busload after busload after busload. Sedan after station wagon after sports car. All headed for Worcester. Agawam to Worcester roundtrip. Going to see girls play soccer. Last person that leaves Agawam, shut-off the lights will ya?

Agawam High was well-represented at Worcester Poly Tech last Wednesday in the Division I State Semi-Finals. An excellent showing.

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The coaches ride in front. The ballgirls are close behind. The junior varsity kids, who will one day shine, are a few rows back. This year's stars are in the back.

I'm sitting there and I am thinking. I'm twice as old as these players. Twice as old. I feel better when I think that I am half as old as the bus driver. He's feeling good, too. He has an important job. The safety of the kids is the major consideration. The pride of carrying this special group of kids is evident, too. He wants them to win as badly as they do.

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There were a few tears immediately following the game. They went away quickly. These are kids and kids are very resilient. Sure, some of them had a hard time falling asleep when they got back to the west and in their beds. Some will play basketball. Others will play softball. There's a tennis player in the group. The beauty of a fall sport, I guess.

I think the parents, the coaches, and the fans took it the hardest. This is not unusual. You want to give your kids the happiest times possible. You want them to feel good about themselves. "These are the good old days."

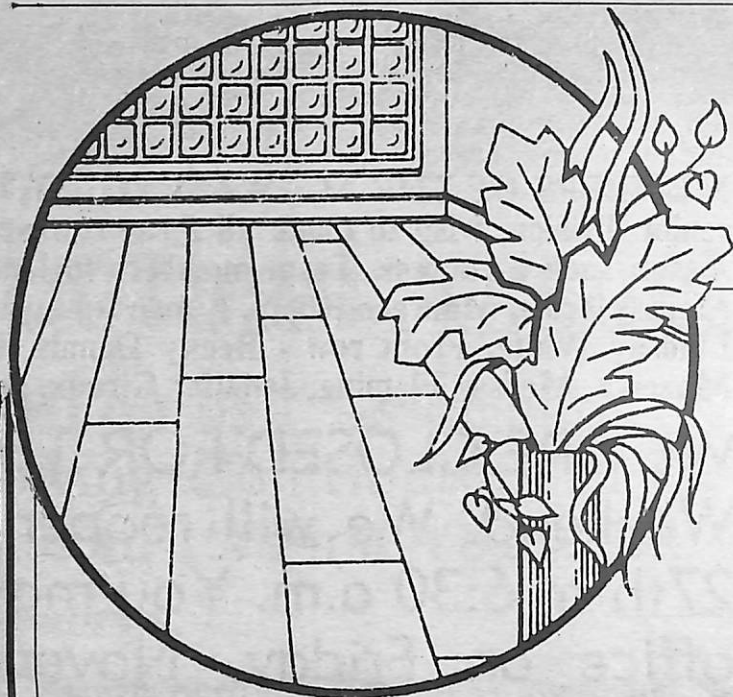
O'Brien is a smart coach. He knows his players. The season wasn't over last Wednesday night. Practice was scheduled for 2:30 p.m. Thursday. The kids would not see a soccer ball though. Let's go to the videotape.

Thursday was a day for the kids to see themselves at their very best. O'Brien had them in the gymnasium watching their Western Mass Finals dismantling of West Springfield. That was a day where the kids did nothing wrong. A perfect game.

These players are and were terrific. They represent their town and their school in a most favorable fashion. Someday they will be career women or homemakers or whatever they choose. In their down times, they can always look back to a happier time.

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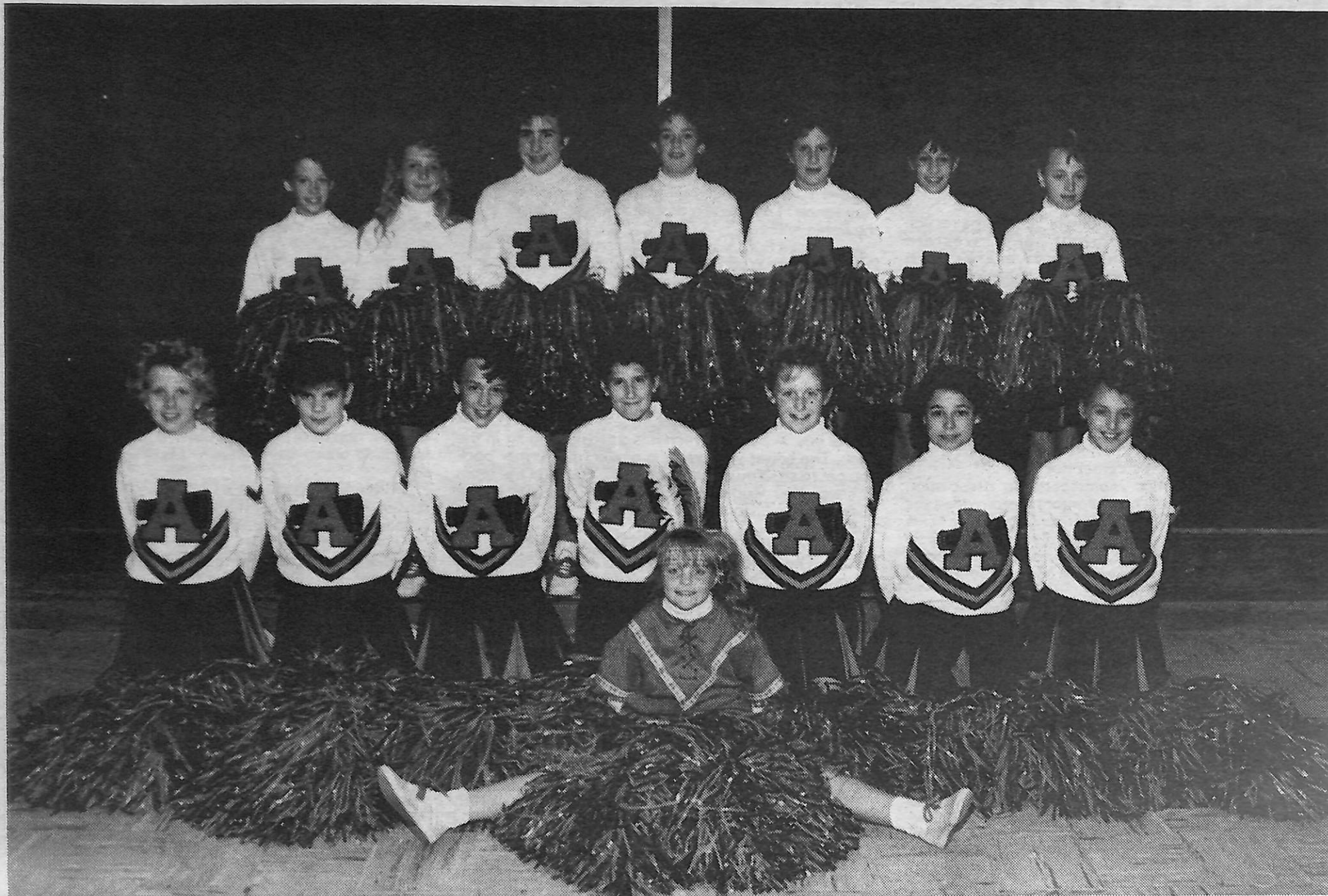
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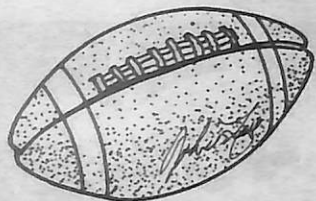
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Agawam Youth Cheerleaders Say Thanks For Support



MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM SUBURBAN YOUTH CHEERLEADERS, junior squad, wish to thank townspeople for their support during their first season on the gridiron. Back row, from left - Lisa Gallerani, Megan McHenry, Heather Plowman, Krista Sorois, Kristin Lowey, Michelle Raines, and Kate Rouvellat. First row - Stephanie Fleming, Danielle Curley, Lori Bryskiewicz, Heidi Semanie, Gina Markowski, and Lisa Freeman. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Wild Finish As Tri-Parish Bowlers Head For Wire

With just one week remaining in Round One of the Monday night Tri-Parish Bowling League, the whacky, crazy roller coaster for first place continues. Now in first place is Boston College (23½ wins) followed by Notre Dame, Fordham, Holy Cross, Georgetown, and St. Louis with 22 wins each. Mathematically in the running but just about out of it is seventh place St. Anselm (20 wins).

Boston College, in a key grudge match vs. Georgetown, took three wins to hurl itself into the top spot. BC winners were JERRY "Let's Go Bowling" ALLEN and captain JOHN "The Hammer" O'CONNELL. "The Hammer" really put the lid on G-Town's captain, DEBBIE POIRIER (363-303). Debbie is the Men's Class AAA scoring leader with a lofty average of 104.12, but O'Connell is second in overall rolling in the Open Division with an average of 113.23, and wanted to make sure Debbie wasn't getting too overconfident about rolling with the big boys.

The two G-Town winners were JOHN LONCRINI (267) and TERRY CERPOVICZ (268). So, it was "The Hammer's" night.

In one of the biggest upsets of the year, eighth place Catholic University (19 wins) sent the frontrunner for the past few weeks, Notre Dame, reeling, four wins to none. ND was numb after this one.

CU winners were RON PROVOST (266), substitute BOB "Not Ronald" MCDONALD (huge 327-ND hopes Bob doesn't substitute any more), KATHY BURLINGHAM (350 - more on Kathy is a moment), and captain JIM SNYDER, a much-maligned captain at that (at

times), 331. Jim totally shellacked ND's dazed leader, captain JOHN RESCIGNO (275).

But the most shocking news of the entire night was the devastation rained by Kathy Burlingham on none other than FRANK "The Tank" MOCCIO, the league-leader in rolling with an average of 114.12. Kathy's 350 not only broke the women's high triple for the season (334 by Debbie Poirier), but also shattered "The Tank's" string of demolishing opponents in recent weeks. Kathy is the Class AAA Women's scoring leader (98.13), but no one expected this huge victory over "The Tank."

Furthermore, CU, a lowly team for most of this round, broke the team rolling record for the year with a total pinfall of 1,466.

Last year's Grand Champions, Fordham, moved back into contention for the Round 1 crown by smashing 11th place St. Mary (16 wins), four wins to none.

Fordham winners were FRANK CERPOVICZ (291), SANDY PRZESZLO (294), and "Jungle" JIM BURLINGHAM (326-still was 24 pins from beating his wife Kathy's big 350). In the battle of the captains, JOHN PROVOST defeated back-from-illness ANN O'CONNELL, 329-314. But that was little consolation for Provost, who appeared rather distraught in the whipping his team absorbed.

Holy Cross also moved back into contention by taking-out sagging, gagging, and faltering St. Michael (9th place-19 wins), three wins to one.

HC winners were OLLIE MULDER (339-what a night for Ollie-his average is now 103.24 and is one of

this year's new stars), and VI MASSOIA (284). Vi defeated TONY "I'm Just A Regular Guy" KOZAK (262). In the war of the captains, FRED MORASSI of St. Mike's had little trouble disposing of LARRY VIENS, 319-282, but it was not nearly enough to off-set the damage inflicted by the HC rollers.

The other winner for St. Mike's was none other than our famous MAYBETH "Miss Consistent" COUGHLIN (275 in the lead-off spot).

St. Louis used a steady night to move right into the thick of things at the expense of St. Anselm, three wins to one.

St. Lou winners included JIM MCNAMEE (310-holds first place in Class Men's AA scoring), and captain LOU MULDER (301-292 over ED SCHULTSKI). St. A's winners were newcomer LISA ALLEN (269) and BARBARA HOWARD (276).

In the final match of the night, Villanova (last place-15 wins) surprised Loyola (10th place-17½ wins), four wins to none. Villanova is actually on a semi-roll, taking seven of its last eight games to somewhat rise from the ashes.

Villanova winners were substitute RICH SNYDER (342), JOHN MLINEK (305), and the resurgent RENEE JURY (317). She defeated Loyola captain STEVE ROVITHIS (301). The only Loyola roller who didn't get beat was TOM "Timber" BURR, but he tied GEORGE LANE, 274-274.

The Round One title will be decided this week, and there are no predictions here as the league so far in 1989-90 has had no rhyme or reason.



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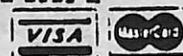
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Huge Crowd Attends Riverside Racing Banquets; Many Awards & Accolades Handed-Out

"It was perhaps the largest attended pair of banquets in the NASCAR Winston Racing Series," said Ben Dodge, Jr., director of Racing at Riverside Park Speedway (1,000 attended total).

Riverside Park Speedway paid tribute to its four division champions, **Bruce D'Alessandro** (Cliff Nelson Racing), **Mark Forino** (Joe Rubbo), **Tom Fearn** (Dick & Betty Fearn), and **Tim Smith** (Dennis Lloyd).

This lavish pair of events honored the top 10 car owners and drivers, along with several other specialty awards. Both these ceremonies were attended by prominent corporate executives that included NASCAR, RJ Reynolds Tobacco, along with Pontiac Motorsports—Tom Wilson, Lottie Permatex—Brian Smith, Snap On Tools (executives—Fred Schofield and Jack Messemmer), Wynn's Products, and Scranton Motor's Tom Scranton. Diamond Production and ESPN, Hightech Motorsports were also present.

On Friday, November 17th, a delicious prime rib dinner awaited teams of the Late Model and Strictly Stock Divisions. After cocktails and dinner, Tom Fearn was crowned the Late Model Champion; his second consecutive title for car owners Dick & Betty Fearn.

Fearn stated that he owed the championship to his sponsors, Clarke Auto Parts, Warren's Machine, and his crew. He also stated he would not return for a third Late Model title. Fearn would move to the Pro Stock Division in 1990.

Among the other top 10 drivers and owners receiving awards were second place finisher, **Tom Carey, Jr.**; third, **Dan Dalena**; fourth, **Mike Duquette**; fifth, **Gary Fioramonti**; sixth, **John Meany**; seventh, **Kevin Czarniecki**; eighth, **Dan Lavoie**; ninth, **Bob Skinger**; and 10th, **Roger Charette**. All of the above car owners were equally honored with awards.

Tim Smith was crowned Riverside's first Strictly Stock Champion and deserved the title. He credited his championship to sponsor and owner Dennis Lloyd. Smith is planning on running a Late Model in 1990.

The top 10 drivers were also honored with awards for both owners and drivers. The second place finisher was **Don Croteau**. Third went to **Mike Quintiliano**. Also, fourth, **Don Wood**; fifth, **Brad Boissonneault**; sixth, **Dave Jackson**; seventh, **Ed Haluch**; eighth, **Gene McLean**; ninth, **Larry Pincince**, **Mitch Drenowski**; and **Charlie Alessio**, rounded out the top 10.

On Saturday, November 18th, it was time to pay

tribute to the NASCAR Winston Racing Series Champion **Bruce D'Alessandro** and car owner **Cliff Nelson**. D'Alessandro had also finished fifth in the Northeast region. The popular driver and his family have supported Riverside for over 20 years. He is one of the youngest champions and a welcome asset to carry the 1989 Riverside Winston title.

D'Alessandro credited the title to his late father, **George D'Alessandro**, and his brothers, **Doug** and **Brian**, along with his crew.

He also showed great appreciation to car owner **Cliff Nelson** and sponsors **Electrical Contractors**, **Beamers**, **Carl Chevrolet**, and **Start-Finish Productions**. As the Modified Champion, Bruce received \$3,883 in total point fund cash, plus the prestigious Winston Championship helmet and NASCAR's award.

D'Alessandro stated he would return for a shot at the regional title in a new Johnson/Chassis car powered by **Bob's Auto Machine** for 1990.

Second place went to **Jerry Marquis** (Bob Judkins). Third, **Stan Gregor** (Luther Hosmer); fourth, **Reggie Ruggiero** (Teddy Bear Pools); fifth, **Chris Kopec** (Charles McClean); sixth, **John Zavisza** (Rainbow Farms); seventh, **Dan Avery** (George Ramsey); eighth, **Bob Polverari** (Bill Pelley); ninth, **Rick Summers** (Bill Simon); and 10th, **Brian Schofield** (Rebecca Schofield).

Mark Forino was crowned the 1989 Pro Stock Champion driving for **Joe Rubbo** and receiving \$800 at the second Riverside Racing Banquet last week. He credited his team, family, and sponsor. He also stated he would return for another shot at the title in 1990.

Second place finisher was **Jerry Marquis** (Dave Marquis). Third was **Tom Rosati** of Agawam (Tom O'Sullivan). Fourth was **Dave Caruso** (Robin Caruso). Fifth was **Eddie Carroll III** (Riverside); sixth, **Brian Crunden** (James Butler); seventh, Agawam's **John Rosati** (Perry-Garland); eighth, **Chris Kopec** (Chip Chapin); ninth, **John Lobo, Jr.** (Ron Doiron); and 10th, **Bill Lauridsen** (99 Racing).

Special awards were won by **Chris Kopec** and **Bobby Gegetskas** for "Rookie of the Year." "Most Improved" Awards went to **Rick Summers**, **Brad Hietala**, and **Ed Carroll III**.

"Professionalism" Awards went to **Stan Gregor**, **Jerry Marquis**, and **Tom Rosati**. The "Best Appearing Car" Awards were won by **Stan Gregor**, **Tom Rosati**, and **Dave Caruso**. "Hard Luck" Awards were won by **Eric LeClair**, **John Lobo, Jr.**, and **Bill Lauridsen** along

with **Brad Boissonneault**.

Among the most prestigious awards of the night was the "Gene Murphy Memorial" Awards, which were presented to **Walt & Ronnie Renner**. Gene Murphy is the late director of Racing at Riverside Park Speedway. Another memorial award, the "Sue Dugan" Award went to **Craig Kaplan**. The late Sue Dugan was a great friend of Riverside racing.

VIP awards for expansion of motorsports went to **Speedway Scene/Sonny Richards**; **Tom Scranton** of **Scranton Motors**; **Dean Nardi**, **Leah Secondo**/TV 40; **William's Distributing/Jim Sadowsky-Budweiser**; **Lou Twining**, **Paul Tremaine**, **Matt Buckler**, and **KGM Video** were also included.

Several other awards were presented to speedway officials and sponsors in appreciation of their support of Riverside Park Speedway.

Race Director **Ben Dodge, Jr.**, also described the new paving job and race surface of the track. The track is near complete. He also mentioned that again the speedway will host four divisions of NASCAR Tour Modifieds, Pro Stocks, Late Models, and the Strictly Stocks. A National Modified Tour race and **Busch Grand National** event will also be featured at the speedway. The speedway will open its season on **March 24th** with the **Eagle Snacks 100**.

Tickets, schedules, color posters, etc., are all available now at Riverside Park Speedway. Ben also mentioned that under his reign the speedway has become NASCAR's "most successful" short track and is nationally recognized, which he has proudly credited to its competitors. He stated he has been honored as part of their team ending the 1980's in Riverside Motorsports. The evening concluded with dancing and talk of an even better 1990 Riverside Park Speedway season.

Call or write Riverside Park Speedway for any information concerning the 1990 season. VIP Executive Season Passes are now available for 1990, and are selling quite quickly. Riverside Park Speedway is located in Agawam, and will open its season on **March 24th**. Upcoming events for the speedway include the **Driver's and Owner's meeting** (call for dates in February); **Season Passes**; "Win a Trip to the Daytona 500, or Indy 500," **Poster Contest**.

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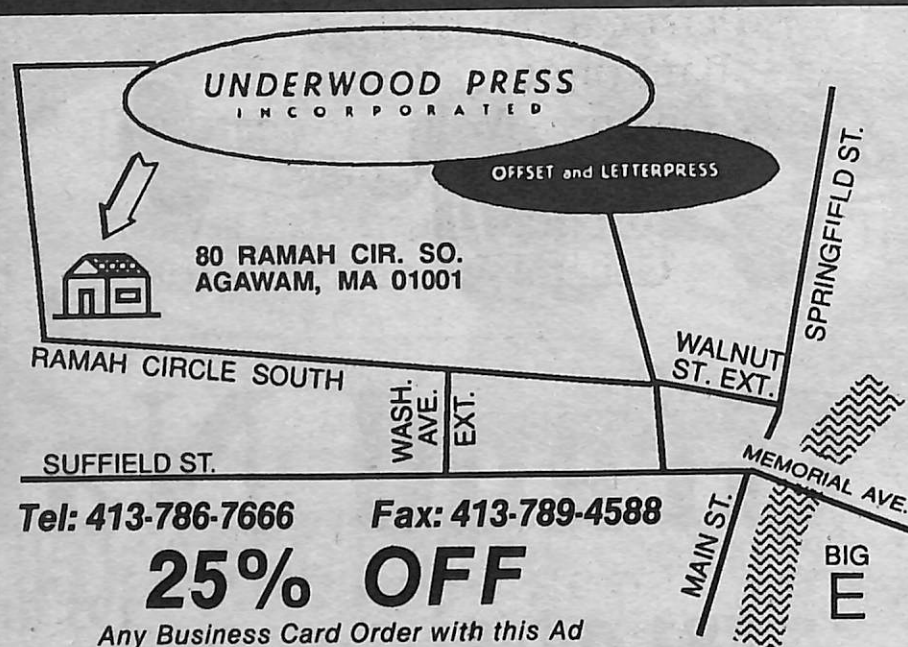
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The holiday special for 1989 is the Basketball Hall of Fame Yearbook. The 120-page souvenir gives in-depth descriptions of present Hall of Famers, a detailed history about the sport of basketball, and informative game tips. The consumer of the book will receive a 1961 first-day cover envelope, which signifies the opening of the original Basketball Hall of Fame.

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Ag. Soccer Parents Asso Looking To Raise Funds

The Agawam Soccer Parents Association is conducting a campaign to raise money to purchase jackets for the Agawam High School girls' soccer team. The team was recently crowned Western Massachusetts Division 1 champs after defeating arch-rival West Springfield High School, 2-0.

According to Janis Phaneuf, treasurer of the parents' association, the monies that were raised earlier this year to cover basic expenses such as scholarships and the banquet have been depleted.

Anyone wishing to make a donation may contact Janis Phaneuf, treasurer, 786-5509, for more information.

Thanksgiving Day Hockey Tourney

The Sixth Annual Thanksgiving Day Tournament hosted by the Springfield Junior Olympics will be held November 24th, 25th, and 26th, at the Springfield Olympia, West Springfield, and Enfield Twin Rinks, Enfield, Connecticut.

The tournament, which has evolved into one of the finest hosts many of the 96 teams which comprise the prestigious Metropolitan Boston Hockey League. This year's tournament also features teams from Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, and the Thornhill Islanders from Toronto, Canada, coached by former Whaler, Brad Selwood.

The 48 teams which will migrate to the Greater Springfield/Enfield area participate in age brackets nine through 17 this year. A Hartford Whalers Hockey Club representative will be in attendance to pass out championship trophies for the finals held on Sunday, November 26th.

The Springfield Junior Olympics have grown from the original two-team entry in the MBHL to the present 10-team organization drawing many of the top hockey talent from Western Massachusetts and Northern Connecticut.

Over 30 Basketball League Still Looking For Players

Over "30" Basketball League

The "Over 30" Recreational Basketball League is still looking for a few players. Games will be played each Sunday morning from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon at the Agawam High School gym.

For further information, contact the league commissioner, Peter Hanson, 786-2355, or the recreation office, 786-0400, extension 456. Although the league is recreational, you will find the exercise you want and the competition you are looking for.

High School Open Gym

The open gym for adults 18 and up will be held on Monday nights at the Agawam High School, December 4th, 11th, 18th, from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m. The entry fee is \$2 per person, per night, payable at the door. You are requested to bring your own basketball.

The gym will be closed over the holidays and reopen every Monday and Thursday night beginning Monday, January 8th, from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m.

Ice Skating Help In West Springfield

The West Springfield Recreation Department is currently accepting applications for Ice Skating Instructors to work on Saturday afternoons, 1:00 to 5:00 p.m., November 18th, through March 17th, 1990.

Interested persons should be at least 16 years of age and have good ice skating skills. The rate of pay is \$5.61 per hour.

Applications may be obtained at the Recreation Department Office, located in the Municipal Office Building, 26 Central Street, or by calling the Recreation Department, 781-7550, extension 3283.

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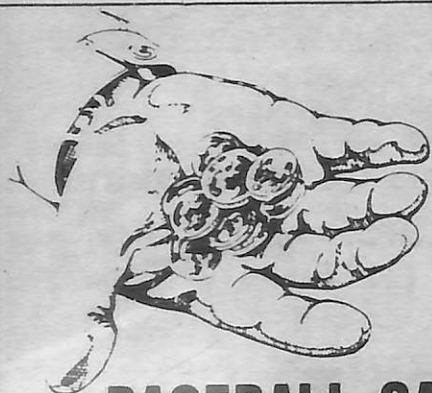


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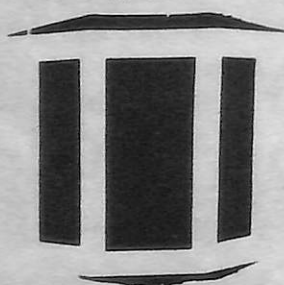
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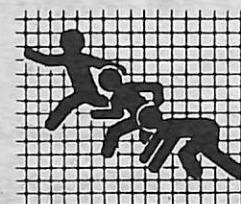
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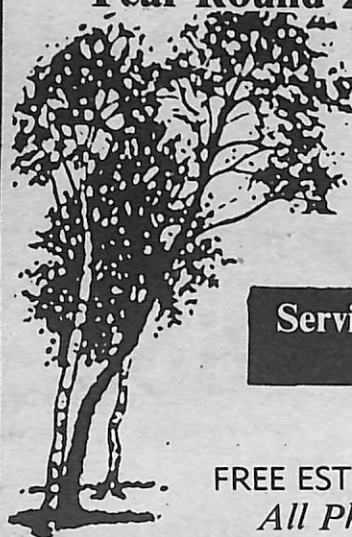


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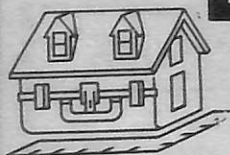
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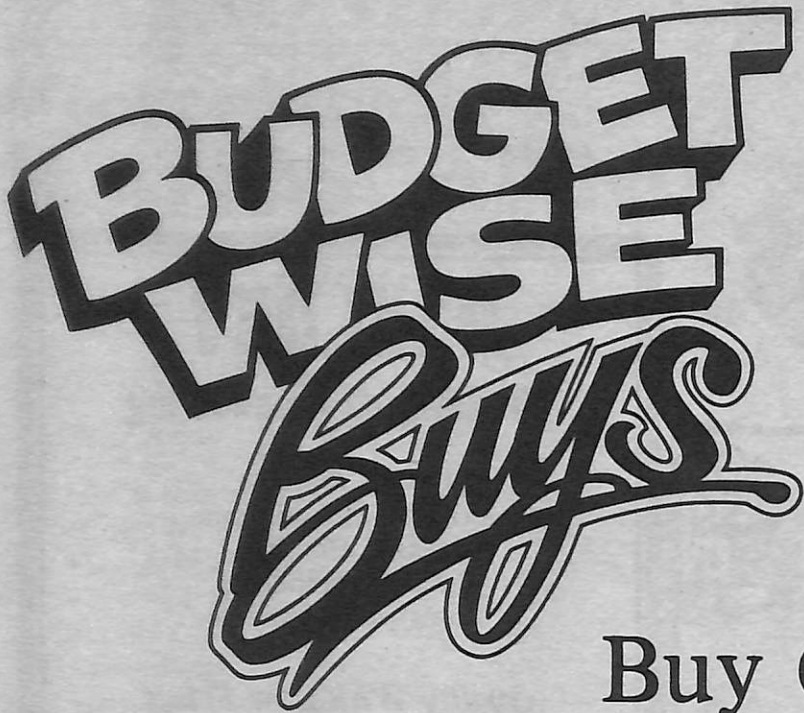
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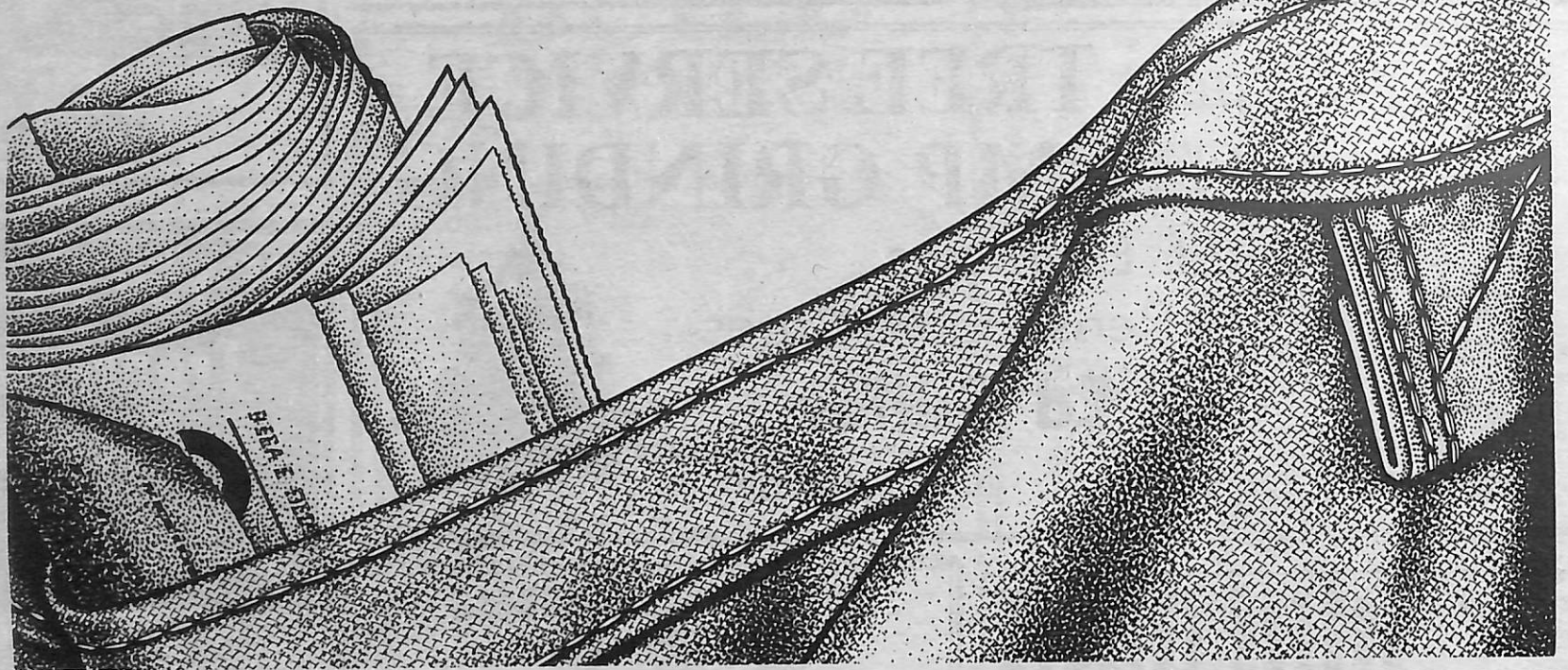
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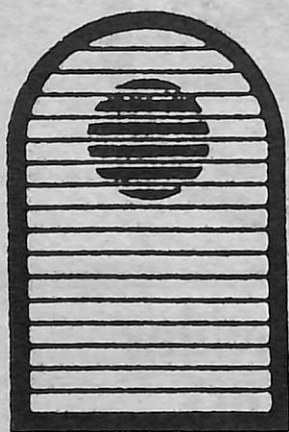
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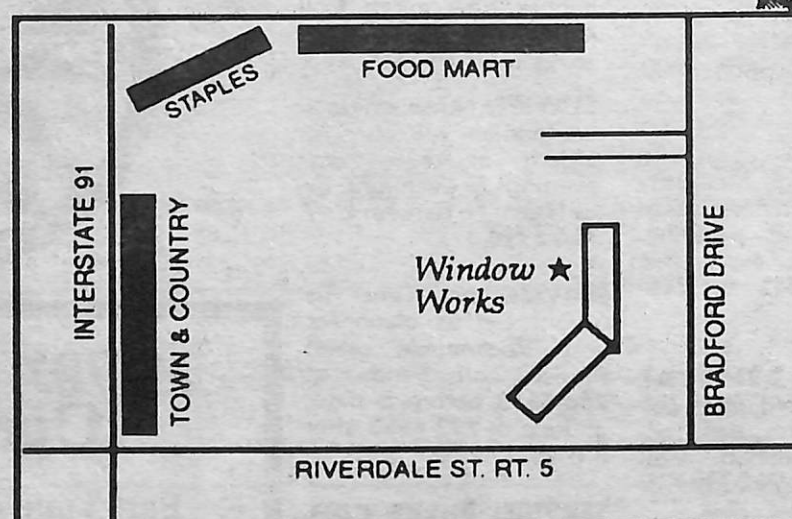
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